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HOLDS THE GRADUATING EXERCISES FRIDAY

SIX YOUNG WOMEN RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

To Render Service to Humanity—Editor George P. Stewart of The Recorder Booms Indianapolis and Pythianism.

By Cary B. Lewis.

Special to The Freeman.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 6.—There was present last Friday night in the beautiful parlors of Provident Hospita la vast number of friends and admirers of the graduates of the class of 1910. It was the occasion of the annual commencement exercises of the institution. A most interesting and instructive programme was given, augmented by several brilliant personages of the city.

Six young women that had given three years of their time in this school, preparing for trained nurses, were given diplomas by President Geo. H. Webster. After the exercises, friends of the graduates rushed to the young women and extended them the hand of congratulations, and it was conceded to be one of the finest graduating classes that has come out of the school for some years.

It was not an occasion where the graduates delivered long speeches, but one when they sat and heard inspiring and encouraging words from those of experience in the work and capable of giving instruction.

President Geo. H. Webster was master of ceremonies. The principal speaker was Miss Mary McDowell. She is a most charming woman and is known throughout the State as one of its greatest settlement workers, and interested in all nurses. Her subject was "Nurses as Social Workers."

Miss McDowell spoke of the excellent work that had been done by Provident Hospital and referred touchingly to the tablets that were on the wall of the parlors, whose names were those that had dedicated themselves to the social uplift of the race. She reviewed the history of the trained nurse, beginning with Florence Nightingale, and spoke of the struggles of the many noble women that had fostered the work in all parts of the country.

She said that the nurse was a trained human sympathizer and that she went into the homes and carried messages of cleanliness, health and happiness. She enumerated the many instances where the nurse was a great social benefit in the Stock Yards district; where their intelligence was conducive to the longevity of the people, and especially to babies.

Miss McDowell told of the love that nurses had for those that were distressed in body and mind, and how their sympathies brought joy and health to the patient while in a critical condition. In closing, Miss McDowell told of the wonderful opportunities that awaited them, and how the States of New York and Illinois were using the nurses in schools and districts for social uplift.

Her address was well received and President Webster was unsparing in his praise of her excellent address, and his thankfulness for her presence.

The Rev. Milliner, D.D., a constant friend and admirer of the institution, was also a speaker. Rev. Milliner became oratorical in speaking of the advancement of the race. He said that he was a soldier for the Union, and watched the progress of the race, and the colored people should feel encouraged over their progress. He was at one time a patient of the hospital, and was pleased with the training of the nurses.

The closing address was from President Powell. He was not lengthy, but explicit. He admonished the nurses of their duty and hoped that they would be an everlasting credit to the school from which they received their diplomas.

Interspersed between the addresses were musical selections rendered. Miss Gertrude Jackson played an instrumental solo, Master Wyatt Houston, a pupil of Mr. Kemper Herrald, played a violin solo, accompanied by Mr. Herrald; Mr. Creyton Thompson sang "Good Night, Sweetheart," and was accompanied by Mr. De Koven Thompson, and Miss Hunter gave a delightful reading. This feature of the programme was highly enjoyable, each number being a hit.

Graduates.

Miss Emma Frances Thompson is a native of Burlingame, Kans. She is a graduate of the high schools of that city and came to Provident Hospital in 1907. Miss Thompson has shown marked ability as a practical and scientific nurse and a bright future awaits her.

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Miss Annie Marie Ayers was born at Shady Side, Va., and received her training at Tuskegee, Academic department, and attended Tuskegee's Nursing Department. She came to Provident in 1907. Miss Ayers made a splendid record at the institution and will leave this fall to practice.

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Miss Martha Thelma Simpson is from Salem, Ohio. She is a product of the high school of that city, graduating with honors. She came to the hospital in August, 1907, and by hard study and thoroughness made an enviable record as a head nurse.

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Miss Carrie Ruth Pratt is a Missippian, hailing from Pass Christian. She entered the University of New Orleans at nine years of age and completed the entire course at this institution. She came to Provident in October, 1907, and was the recipient of a diploma.

Miss Beulah McConnell is from Gibson, Ill., and was a student at one time at Tuskegee Hospital. She came to Provident in 1907. Miss McConnell was another that made quite a reputation at the institution as a head nurse.

Miss Cora Wilkerson was born at Paris, Ky., and finished the high school of that place. She came to Provident in December, 1907, and has had but one vacation. She has made a splendid record as an all around nurse, and may be placed in the city to work.

Miss Minnie Ahrens, superintendent of the institution, has been at Provident Hospital for five years. She has been faithful and devoted, always looking after the interests of the nurses at the home, and after their graduation. She has succeeded in securing a large number to work in Chicago and other places and has been successful in placing colored nurses where not had ever been employed.

Miss Ahrens is well connected with all the institutions of the city and State that are concerned with trained nurses. She is well acquainted with the wealthy people of the city and through her influence on Tag Day the hospital received $26,000 as its share of charity. Miss Ahrens is a woman of a lovely disposition and admired by all the nurses. Her assistant is Miss Vina Allen, a graduate of Augustina Hospital, Chicago.

The secretary of the hospital is Mr. Alfred Anderson. He is not only a competent man for the place, but has the interests of the institution at heart.

The president is Mr. George H. Webster, one of Chicago's finest citizens. He is a banker and has given large sums to carry on the work of the school. To him the colored citizens are grateful for his connection and untiring efforts towards the success of the school.

Doctors Dan Williams, George Hall, Wilberforce Williams, C. E. Bently, Claudus Bell and others are operating surgeons. Three nurses, Misses Earl, Roundtree and Fletcher, have entered on probation.

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"Indianapolis will make the hit of its life during the Pythian Supreme Lodge next year," declared Mr. Geo. P. Stewart, editor of the Indianapolis Recorder, who was in the city Saturday and Sunday with Messrs. William Porter and H. T. Tidrigton, Pythians of national reputation.

Speaking further Mr. Stewart said: "We are going to have the greatest supreme lodge in the history of the organization. We are now making preparations for it. We have the finest people and the greatest city in the country for it, centrally located and without prejudice. Pythians selected and the people of Indianapolis want it."

William Porter stated to the representative of The Freeman that his city was ripe for the Supreme Lodge, and that nothing would be lacking on the part of the local committee to make it a grand success. "We are contemplating having a press agency in operation two months prior to the sitting of the Supreme Lodge. We are going to let the country know all about Indianapolis and what we are going to have for the Pythians and visitors."

H. T. Tidrigton, Grand Chancellor of the State, backed up the speakers by saying that every word uttered was true, and that he and every Pythian in the State was interested in the coming Supreme Lodge. While here they met Supreme Chancellor Green and a number of other Pythians who are revising the bylaws of the Supreme Lodge. Mr. Stewart stated that his chief business was to see Attorney S. A. T. Watkins on legal matters. All three of the Indianians stopped at the Keystone.

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Misses Cora Lowery and Nona Jones, of Columbus, Ohio, are in the city on a visit.

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Mr. R. M. Clark was the honored guest of his brother, A. B. Clark, 3660 Wabash avenue.

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Mr. J. W. Winston has returned to the city after several weeks' vacation at Nashville.

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Mrs. Mayme Meridith Smith has returned to the city after a delightful visit to her sister in New York City.

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Miss Emma Bryant, a teacher at the Atlanta Baptist College, is in the city stopping at 6432 Champlain avenue.

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Mrs. James Curtis, of New York City, has returned to her home. While here she was the guest of Mrs. Alexander Curtis.

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Mrs. Estella Everett has returned to the city from a delightful visit to Montreal, Vancouver and other cities in Canada.

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Mr. and Mrs. Burt Williams arrived in the city Monday. They are stoppong at Mrs. Williams' mother, 5516 Groves avenue.

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The corner stone for the new Providence Church was laid Sunday. The Rev. S. L. M. Francis is pastor of the church.

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The Odd Fellows leave Saturday night for Baltimore. Mr. Buckhanan Lewis states that his drill company will "bring the bacon home."

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Mr. Robert T. Motts is in Washington, D. C., looking over the bills at the new Howard Theater. Mr. Motts will be East for several weeks.

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Mrs. Oscar Drury, of Dearborn street, has returned from the city of New York. Mrs. Drury feels much improved in health since her trip East.

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Miss Mattie Morris, of Helena, Ark., is in the city attending Chicago Conservatory of Music. Miss Morris is stopping at 3241 Forrest avenue.

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William Harrison, a lawyer of Oklahoma City, Okla., is in the city on business pertaining to an automatic cattle fence, to be used by railroads.

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Miss Bessa Evans, of Cincinnati, has been the guest of Mrs. Maybelle Watson and her sister, Mrs. Scott Riffe, at the New Hampshire, Wabash avenue, Chicago.

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Miss Mayme Locklear, who was to have visited friends in this city, has postponed her trip until next year. She spent her vacation at Bedford, Ind., with relatives this season.

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Miss Bertha Marchand, of New Orleans, La., has been the guets of Mrs. Bertha A. Savington, 3132 Forrest avenue. She returned last week after being royally entertained.

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Mrs. Jerry Mills, wife of Jerry Mills, the stage manager, arrived in this city after being absent for some time. Mrs. Mills reports that she was much pleased with her visit.

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Miss Ella Croker, of Indianapolis, Ind., has returned to her home after being here all the summer. Miss Croker was here attending Chicago University. She is one of the most highly educated teachers in the city of Indianapolis and quite a musician.

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Misses Anna Prichard and sister, of Indianapolis, Ind., were in the city for a week. These two charming young misses were the recipients of many social functions and theater parties.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherwood, of St. Paul, passed through the city, en route to Detroit to the Shriners' Convention. While here they were the guests of Misses Blanch and Emma Shaw.

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Miss Ida Plummer, a teacher of the Washington, D. C., public schools has been in the city for two weeks, the guest of the Misses Cook, 3362 Calumet. She left last week to take up school duties.

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All the teachers visiting the city and attending the Chicago University during the summer have returned home. They came from all parts of the country, but Kentucky is reported to have led all the rest.

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Mrs. Nannie Mitchen and Miss Lelia Wilson have returned from an extensive visit South. They visited Hot Springs, Ark.; Little Rock, Memphis, Tenn.; St. Louis, Louisville and other points. They report a delightful trip.

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Miss Virena Clark, daughter of Mr. Edward Clark, 3600 State street, returned to the city last Wednesday after a visit of two months at Grand Rapids, Mich. Miss Clark made a host of friends and was charmingly entertained.

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Miss Julia Torbert, of Columbus, Ga., has returned to her home after a two-weeks' visit. While here she was entertained by Mr. Sam Stewart, a prominent musician, and there is a matrimonial bee flying around the hat of Mr. Stewart.

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Rumor has reached all parts of Chicago that Prof. James R. Harris, of Louisville, Ky., is soon to marry a fashionable girl of this city. Prof. Harris made a visit to Chicago this summer, accompanied by his mother and spent three weeks here.

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Captains Pinkney, Arnett and Hunt, Sergeant Major Lester Henderson, Sergeant Morris Lewis, Private George Patterson, and others of the Eighth Regiment went to the barracks at Camp Logan on Saturday and remained over Sunday, to do target practice.

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Mrs. Oglesby, wife of Prof. Oglesby, a teacher of the high school, Jeffersonville, Ind., is at Provident Hospital, where she underwent an operation. Dr. George Hall was the surgeon. The operation was successful. Prof. Oglesby accompanied his wife to the city and left Monday for his home.

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Mrs. E. D. Burts and daughter Janilee, of 2636 State street, left last Monday for Battle Creek. Mrs. Burts will undergo an operation for throat trouble. Mrs. Burts is the wife of Mr. E. D. Burts, the news dealer, and all their many friends wish Mrs. Burts to have a successful operation.

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Miss Empress Davidson, one of Chicago's most charming young women, left Sunday for St. Louis, Mo., to begin her school work in that city. Miss Davidson has been in the public school sfor five years and has made a fine reputation as a kindergarten teacher. Reports come that she is in line for promotion.

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Col. John R. Marshall, Major R. R. Jackson and Lieut. Louis B. Anderson were among the high officials of the Eighth Regiment that spoke highly of last week's issue of The Freeman. A request has been made of the writer to publish a pamphlet of several pages containing the history of the regiment and the encampment at Peoria, with cuts and biographies of the officers of the regiment.

When Hunting Season will Lose its Charms.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Buge gave a reception at their home Tuesday evening, Aug. 30, in honor of Miss Lena Woods, of Aline Creek, Tenn.....The Holy People will hold their meeting at 11 a. m. every Sunday. Everybody is cordially invited to attend these services at the Congregational Church. Rev. J. N. Jones, pastor.... Mrs. Patsy Perkins, who lost one of her daughters last Sunday, lost the other girl Allian, Sunday evening. There was just a week's difference in the deaths of the girls. Mrs. Perkins has our heartiest sympathy.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

James Redick spent Sunday with his son in Cleveland....Bill Newman spent Sunday in Cleveland with friends....Mrs. Clair McGinter went to Columbus to live. ....W. B. White spent Labor Day in Cleveland....Mrs. Eliza Johnson, of Newark, spent Sunday and Labor Day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hill....Miss Bessie McGinter left Sunday night for Newark to spend Labor Day....Mr. Ben McGee, manager of The Turner Cafe, says The Freeman beats them all.

BUFFALO, N. Y.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Winn is on the sick list. No hopes of her recovery....Mrs. Brown, of 18 Center street, and granddaughter, will leave Thursday for Toronto, Ont....Mrs. Ida Pearman, 61 Union street, is on the sick list....There will be a children's concert given at the Patter Street Church, Friday, September 9, for the benefit of the church. Rev. Smith, pastor....Mrs. Barbara Snelling, of 492 Michigan street, who has been quite ill, is getting along nicely, and will soon be able to be out again....The garden party given at Mrs. Hawes' was well attended. The proceeds were for the church of which Rev. J. C. Taylor is pastor.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

The C. C. C. Club entertained in honor of visiting ladies, Mrs. Dr. Smith and Mrs. Anderson, of Chicago, and Mrs. Thos. Turner, of Chicago, Mrs. Neal, of St. Louis, at the residence of Mrs. Chas. Lewis, 817 East Wood street. Everybody reported an enjoyable evening....Miss Veleria Watson, of Peoria, and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, of Mattoon, Ill., are visiting Mrs. Rufus Lashby....Mrs. Georgia Washington, who has been very ill for several ill for several days, has improved. ....Mr. C. E. Jackson has returned from Chicago....Mr. Rufus Lashley is visiting in Decatur....Mr. O. W. King, captain of the G Regiment, left for Springfield on business.

MARION, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Complimentary to Miss Lillian Curry, of Greenfield, and Miss Bessie Smith, of Hartford City, Misses Blanche Ferguson, Julia Franklin, Irene Weston, Floda Williams, Ada Frazier, Estella Harris, Messrs. Vasal Casey, Charles and Heber Ferguson, Oliver Harris and Herman, picnicked Aug. 30 at Matter's Park. Mesdames A. R. Martin, Addison Griggs, Mittie Ward, of Indianapolis; S. D. Artis, and F. B. Ferguson chaperoned the party. ....Mrs. Thomas Dodson, of Indianapolis, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Weaver....Prof. John W. Burden opened his school at Weaver Tuesday morning.

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

IN SOCIAL AND BUSINESS CIRCLES AT LOUISVILLE

WILLIAM F. YOST MAKES ADDRESS

At Open Air Meeting of Y. M. C. A.—Thomas Hedges Killed With Lump of Coal—Reception for Bishop and Mrs. Walters.

Special to The Freeman.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Mrs. Louise Hudson Gray, of Omaha, Neb., is in the city visiting her parents at 1401 Bland street. She will be here six weeks.

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Mrs. I. A. Henderson, of Chicago, is visiting friends in the city.

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Miss Clara E. Barbour will return to her studies at Fisk this fall.

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Miss Mattie Louden has gone to Eminence for a two weeks' visit.

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Mrs. Jennie Raynes and children, have been visiting friends in Coryden, Ind.

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Miss Lizzie B. Hall will return to the Industrial Institute at Frankfort next Monday.

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Mrs. Nellie Brewer, of 729 West Walnut street, left the city Monday for Lebanon, Ky.

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The Misses Lucie, Helen and Eva DuValle were guests at a dinner party last week at Forest.

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Mrs. Ida Stafford and her daughter, Bernice, are spending their vacation in th Blue Grass regions.

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Miss Tillie Dorsey, of Cincinnati, is in the city on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Hinkle.

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Mr. C. B. Clay, the merchant tailor, has returned from a brief business trip to French Lick Springs.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Hinkle, of 823 W. Walnut street, is confined to her home with a very serious spell of sickness.

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Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Worley have returned from a trip which included Toronto, Niagara Falls and Buffalo.

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Mrs. Alice Green, of 1114 Cedar street, has returned from a two weeks' stay at her country home, near Garfield, Ky.

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Miss Lottie Bryant, who has been in Chicago for a few weeks, has returned home to take up her duties in the public schools.

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Mr. Andrew Brown, well-known trainer of show horses, has arrived in the city from Dallas, Texas, where he spent three months.

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Mr. Fred B. Hines has returned from Chicago, where he spent four weeks the guest of Mrs. Lavinia Thompson, formerly of this city.

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Mr. Walter J. Tate, in company with the Misses Rubena Rogers and Florence Gibson, have returned from a pleasant trip to Petoskey Bay, Mich.

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Misses Mattie and Laura Munford and their mother have returned home after taking in the county fairs at Danville, Verseilles and Harredsburg.

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Mr. Warner Larue, who has been down with the grip for several weeks, is out again and very busy as secretary of the Jeffersontown Fair Association.

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At the parish house of the Church of Our Merciful Savior last week a reception and musical entertainment was given in honor of Mrs. G. W. Clinton.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Talbert have returned to their home, 1414 West Walnut street, after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roberts of Chicago.

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Miss Hattie Daniels, the popular county school teacher at Forest, Ky., has returned from a visit to Hardinsburg and opened her school with a record-breaking attendance.

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Mrs. L. G. White, of West Chestnut street, has returned from a lengthy stay at Ravenna, Va., where she has been in attendance upon her sick sister, Mrs. Emma Cook.

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The firm of Owens and Furst, painters, glazer grainers and decorators, has signed a contract, the consideration of which is written in four figures. This looks like business for certain.

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Mr J. W. McElery, manager of the large stable of show horses owned by Mr. Lawrence Jones, will leave with some of the great prize winners for the horse show at Indianapolis.

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Miss Mamie Akers, of 110 North Floyd street, has been confined to her home for ten days, but under the careful nursing of Miss Jettie Baker, she hopes to soon regain her health.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stephenson, of 116 East Green street, entertained a large party of their friends at a dinner on Labor Day. Most of the out-of-town guests were from Indianapolis.

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Bishop and Mrs. Walters were tendered a reception by Mr. and Tony Jackson, last Friday night, at their residence. Many noted personages were present, and a most enjoyable time was had.

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Mr. Gazaway White, a prominent citizen, residing in West Magazine street, has gone to the Citizen's Hospital, to undergo an operation and his many friends hope that he may come out all right.

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Mr. Oscar Turner, who conducts a confectionary and ice cream parlor at Twelfth and Madison streets, is doing a very lucrative business and has many patrons and friends who wish him well.

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Dr. John W. Robinson delivered a lecture last Monday night at the Lampton street church on the subject "The Philosophy of a Laugh." He held his hearers spell-bound and they left delighted.

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Ed Dorsey threw a lump of coal at Thomas Hedges last week, striking him on the head and causing his death. The affair was started over a trifling matter. Both men are well known and had hitherto been good friends.

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Mr. Jas. Clark, after filling a three months' engagement in Indianapolis, came here last week to visit his father, Mr. Eugene Clark, of the trio, Clark, Hicks and Clark, which just closed an unusually good week at the Lyre.

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Mr. William F. Yost, librarian of the Louisville free public library, addressed the open air meeting of the Colored Y. M. C. A. on their lawn last Sunday. The subject of the lecture was "The Library and Religious Toleration."

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Miss Edmonia Wingate, who handles the box office at the Lyre, will leave to take her vacation among friends at Lancaster, Ky. She will be gone for two weeks and the wonder is what will certain parties do without her.

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Mr. Preston Venable, the popular mixologist for Mr. Andy Fehder, is a great reader of The Freeman, and declares it to be the best newspaper in the country. He is a drawing card at this house, and has friends whose name is legion.

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Prof. Jas. R. Harris and mother, after a pleasant stay with friends in Chicago, have returned home. Mrs. Harris was very much improved by her vacation, before taking which her condition had caused her relatives considerable anxiety.

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Mr. Phil White, looking as rudy and rotund as a cherry, is back with us, after spending the summer fishing and boating along the St. Claire river. He had an extensive journey through Canada, and learned many interesting things from the strangers.

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Mr. Max Saunders, head waiter at the Seelbach, has returned from his vacation in the Northwest, which included a stopover at Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Paul, and on his trip East, he was at Saratoga, New York and Atlantic City. Oh you novelty.

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Prof. Samuel O. Johnson, has returned from a trip to Chicago, where he was highly entertained by the redoubtable journalist, Mr. Cary B. Lewis. He enjoyed the cool breezes of the lake and the hot air from the correspondent. Cary, thou art wary.

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Mrs. Nora K. Bell has returned from a trip to Cleveland, where she was the guest of Mrs. Florence Nunn Smith. Mrs. Bell was most highly entertained by the best that Cleveland could afford and her musical accomplishments made her an exceptionally welcome addition to the circles of art and music in that city. Meanwhile her husband and three children were in Indianapolis, and all have returned home.

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The bill at the Lyre, during the past week was what might be properly termed a "Screamer," for those inimitable Clark Brothers certainly kept the audience screaming all the time they were before the foot lights. Miss Elizabeth Hart, on her first number, took the house by storm. She has a voice of rare flexibility and sweetness, and a most prepossessing stage appearance. Her rendition of the song, "Some of These Days," was applauded to the echo, and she was repeatedly called before the curtain. She has been reengaged for the present week and is fully sustaining the high reputation, as a prima donna which preceded her to this city. The handling of those pythons and constrictors "filled us, thrilled us with fantastic terrors never felt before." The bill for this week consists in addition to Miss Hart, King William and his troop of trained dogs; Lewis and Wewis, as funmakers, whose droll sayings have that spontaneity and clean-cut freshness that betokens originality. To say nothing of the reliable and coming artist, Mr. Wally Thompson, "in a prologue."

Mr. Julius J. Seals, the manager, is daily in receipt of letters and cards felicitating him upon the high-toned and classy performances that he has been giving the public, and thanking him for filling a long-felt want among our people. He has been utterly unsparing of pains and means to bring this house to his ideal of what such a play house ought to be, and the result is most gratifying.

Reverting to the subject of the trio, Clark, Hicks and Clark, we must say they gave a typical and most picturesque representation of an old-time Southern colored man, his wife and daughter that was brimming over with mirth and laughter. Miss Hicks is one of the very few colored girls that could be induced to do a dance, using a large snake for a necklace and a belt. On the first and second performances, she was the recipient of some very handsome testimonials at the hands of her many friends and admirers, as well as numerous floral offerings. Among those who headed the movement were the Misses Adie Hamilton, Daisy Walker and Ella French. The trio will be long remembered at their old home and they will be welcomed back whenever they choose to return.

ENTERTAINED AT THE SEBREE COTTAGE, WEST BADEN, IND.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Sebree entertained at their beautiful cottage the past week, Mrs. C. J. Browne, Misses Nannie and Mayme Masterson, Mrs. R. Robinson and Mrs. A. D. Porter, of Louisville, and Mrs. Robert Letcher, of St. Louis, and Dr. Hickman and James Corbin, of Paris, Ky. Dinners, whist parties and trips to the different caves adjoining the city was the programme of entertainment.

YAZOO CITY, MISS.

Mr. Arthur Taylor is on his fifteen days leave of absence with pay. He is the master mechanic for the Producers' Oil Company and is respected by both whites and blacks....The Young Men's Band was entertained at the Lintonia Exchange last Thursday night. A good time, you bet....The V. N. Nelson United Reformers gave their annual dinner at St. Stephen's Methodist Church....Mr. M. R. Brown is still doing business for the Ice and Coal Company, one of the largest white firms in the South.

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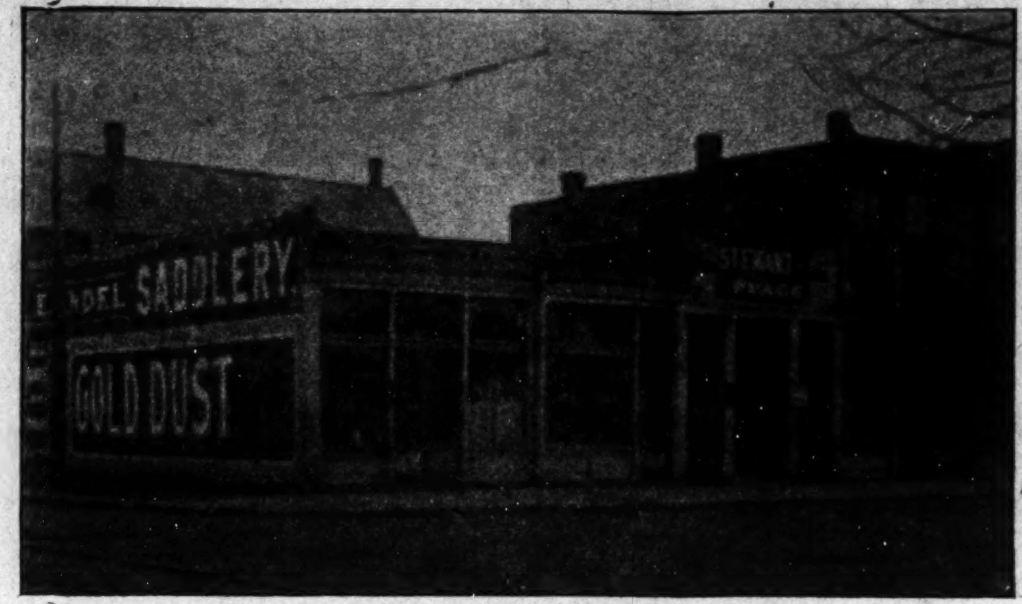

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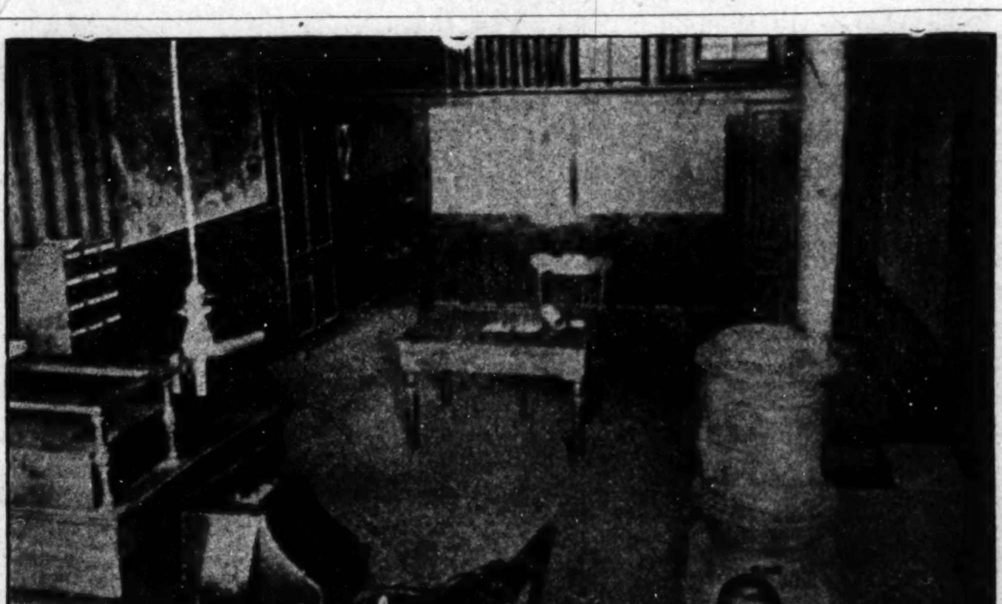

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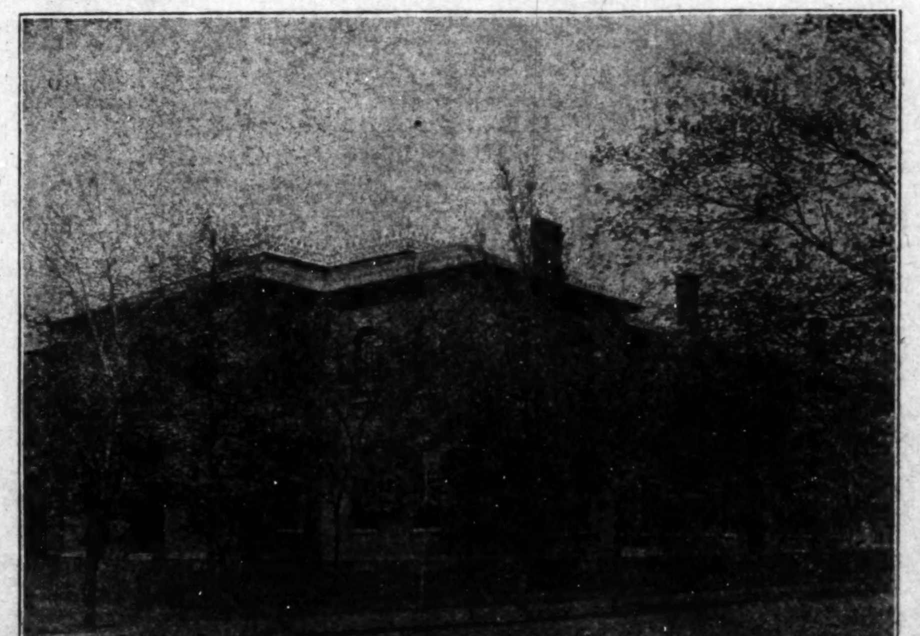

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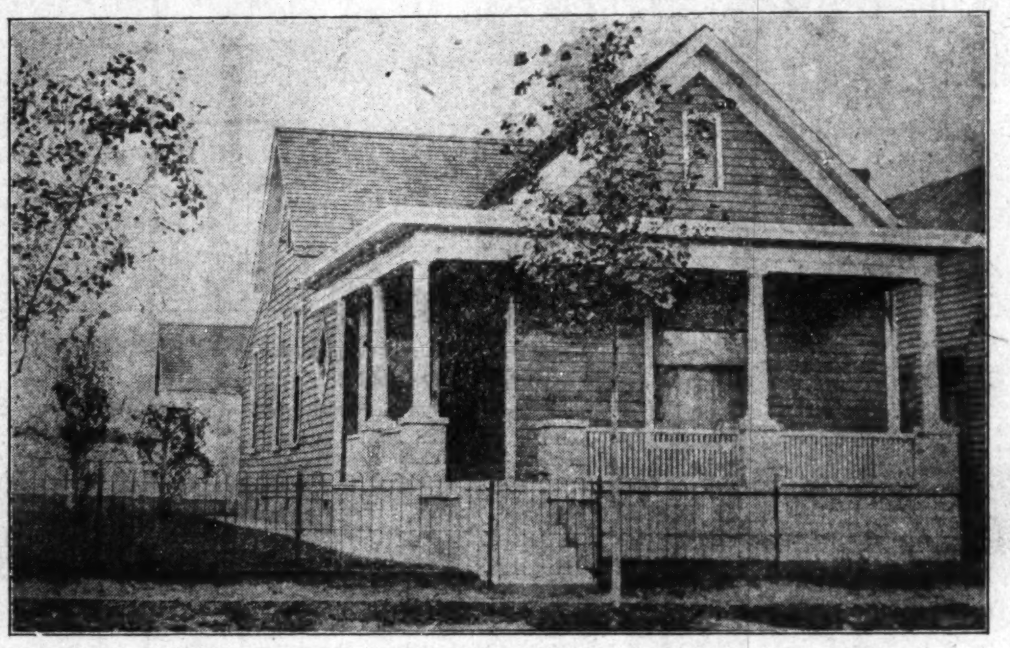

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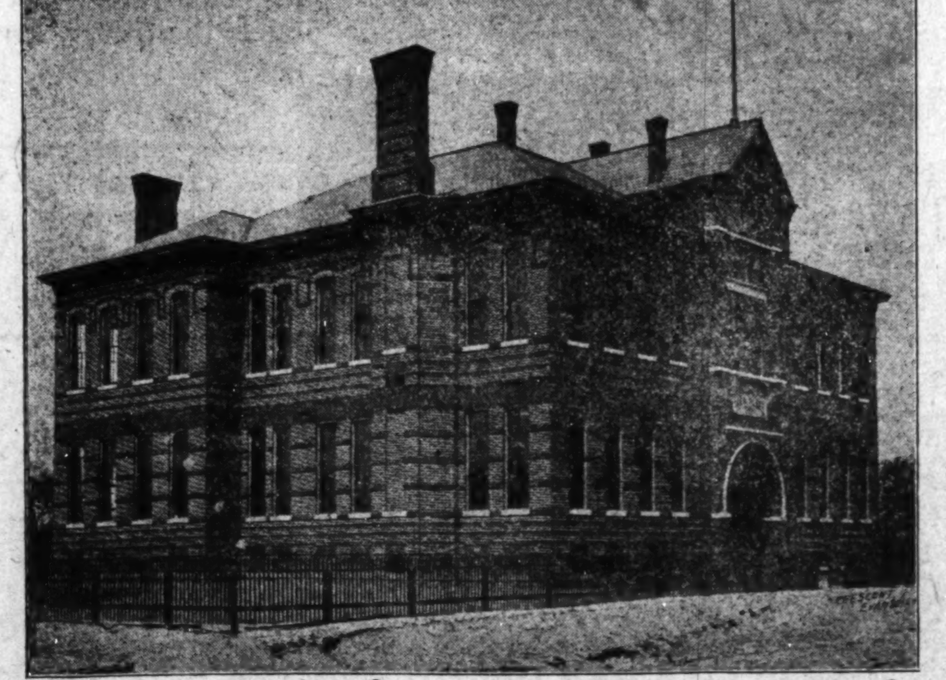

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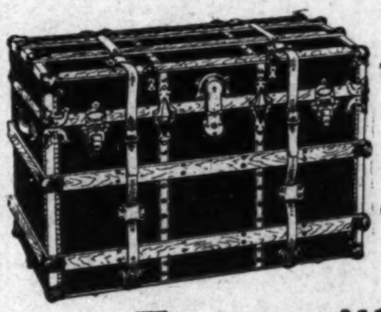

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Circus parade last Monday. The small boy and his sister were there in all their glory.

By the way, there were some candidates nominated not long since in this community. Have they forgotten about it?

Who's who and what's what? Excellent interrogatives as it concerns Messrs Taft and Roosevelt at this juncture of their activities.

Verily this is a strange world. Just a year or so ago the colored folk were berating Colonel Roosevelt because of his position on the Brownsville shoot-up. Not long since at the New York meeting of the Negro Business Men's League nothing was held too good for the Colonel. It was all owing to the Colonel's winning ways.

Of course the fight pictures are barred most effectually in the South. Did we say most effectually? Let us see. Down about Memphis, Tenn., the picture promoters have concluded to show on a barge in the middle of the Mississippi where they claim they will be outside of the jurisdiction of states on either side. That's what is called taking a chance.

The Negroes of Oklahoma are putting up a beautiful fight against the proposed amendment to the constitution which has for its purpose the elimination of the Negro vote. The struggle is beautiful, and let us hope not in vain. However, there is no precedent excepting Maryland on which to base hopes of success. And Maryland is north practically. Well, we shall see.

The seventy-second annual conference of the A. M. E. Church began its sessions at Allen Chapel last Tuesday morning. Mayor Shank delivered the welcome address Tuesday evening. The opening day was auspicious. Rev. J. R. Callis spoke for the churches, Gurley Brewer on behalf of the citizens, and J. B. Benson for the Sunday schools. A. C. Moss presided. Response by Rev. J. R. Long. Rev. Dr. C. T. Shaffer, presiding bishop. The week was eventful in pleasing happenings for the church and visitors.

The Liberians should prayerfully consider how they are going to use that extra $250,000. We suggest that something like $249,000 be put in industries, farms and such like things. If they will manage to get something to sell their "talents" will be greatly increased. They might import a few horse-power plows for patterns, cultivators, threshing machines, mowers, and every other thing for caring for crops. The soil is first. Mr. Booker T. Washington says, "Let down your buckets where you are." "Aye, aye, sir," should be the reply.

Through the good offices of our government Liberia has been redeemed of those that caused that country much uneasiness, the $1,500,000 loaned the Liberian government, it is said, will be sufficient to discharge its obligations to the creditors, with $250,000 to the good. The surplus money is to be used in getting things in shape.

The help was timely enough, and it ought to be the means of putting the little republic on its feet. If a reign of industrialism follows, due to the incentive by way of relief from entanglement and the cash on hand, it will follow that there will follow a period of thrift and economy, and an impetus in a civil way that will cause a looking up of things there as there never was before. Civilization has not heretofore been greatly impressed with the industry of the Liberians, this judged by its output, its commerce. Will they do better since money is on hand, and with a friendly government holding their notes? They must do better or in the end become a part of this government, which, of course, is no bad thing in a way. It would, however, be a travesty if after the country should have to revert to the original owners, the American people, bringing back the charter of liberty that went with the original conveyance. We feel to say that no such thing need happen. The money sent should be a stimulus and not a mess of pottage. Liberia can come up if it will.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The colored public schools of Evansville are in good hands, from the School Board and superintendent to the grade teachers. There are four buildings, with thirty-four rooms in use, under thirty-one teachers and four principals, two of whom are supervising principals and one a high school principal. Thirteen of these teachers are graduates of the local high school; nine are from various colleges, two from normals. Nine have taken special courses in various institutions of the country. There are over 900 children attending the schools, which have sixteen grades, or eight years for the grammar and four years for the high school. There have been over forty young people graduated from the high school since its establishment. There are six teachers in the Clark High School, two of whom are manual training teachers. About 150 children were enrolled in this school, which includes the seventh and eighth grades.

THE BACK YARD.

One of the particularly interesting features of our Evansville write-up is the illustration of the beautiful back yard of Prof. M. A. Davis. This shows what can and should be done by every colored person. We hope it will serve as an object lesson.

REV. R. J. M. LONG.

Rev. Long is a minister of wide experience, having been in the work since 1872, when he was appointed by the New Jersey Annual Conference. After serving under the New England Conference for fifteen

years he was transferred to the Iowa Conference. His ministerial service was so marked that Bishop Shaffer appointed him presiding elder in 1908 of the Evansville District, where he shows the same degree of efficiency.

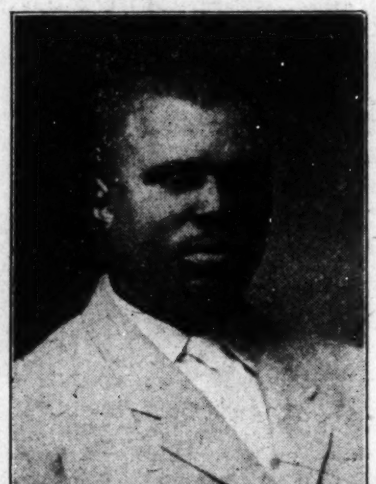
MALVIN HILL

Malvin Hill was born in New Orleans, La., 30 years ago. At 15 he began to ride races in Tennessee, and for 14 years he followed that business, having ridden on almost every race course in the United States and Canada. He has ridden in several of the very big events, such as the Latonia Derby and Blue Grass States. In the Tobacco Stakes he finished second at Louisville last spring. His home for

the last five years has been at Owensboro, Ky., where he owns two good pieces of residential property in the city. He has been married five years. Recently Mr. Hill has left the saddle and a short while ago he bought the cafe on the corner of Seventh and Oak streets, Evansville, where he runs one of the neatest and most up-to-date places in the city. Traveling people receive special attention at his cafe.

WM. H. GLOVER.

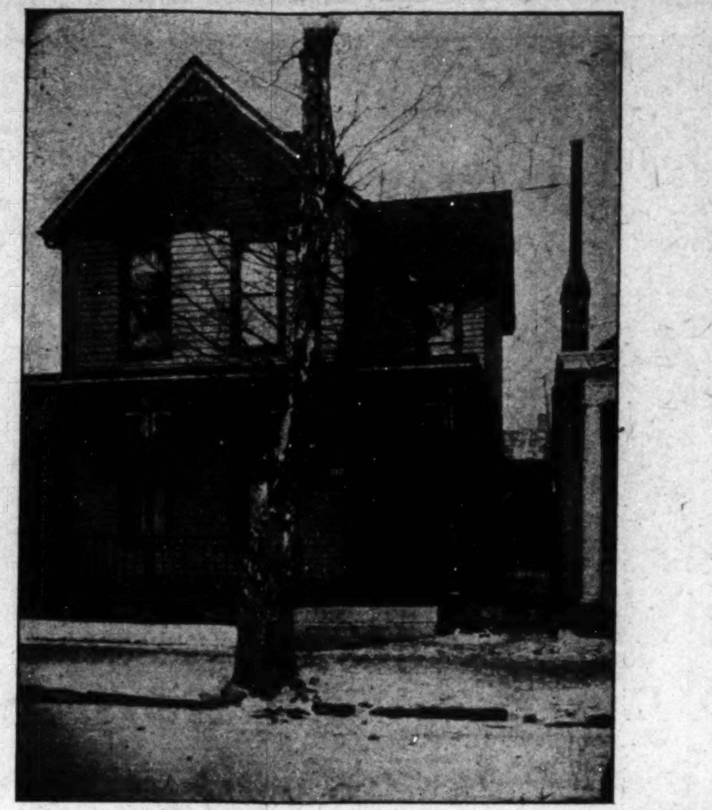
Few men of prominence have had such a varied experience as has the subject of this sketch. Mr. Glover was born in Coldwell county, Kentucky, and was left an orphan at 8 years of age. He began to work on a farm, and then he worked in a brack-yard, then as a tobacco factory hand, then boot-black, and waiter in a hotel. Young Glover possessed the stuff out of which real men are made. While waiting table he attended school be-



tween times, and through sheer will power and determination he acquired a good business education. On ent ering the barber shop as a boot-black, his ambitious make-up gave him a desire to become a barber, and to own a shop of his own. Today he owns a fine five-chair shop at 317 Upper First street.

Mr. Glover is a progressive, public-spirited man, and believes in taking hold of race enterprises. He is a director in the local branch Y. M. C. A. and is identified with other organizations. He is a church member, but does not believe that others should take all the world while he takes Jesus, for he owns two valuable pieces of icty property. He had the misfortune to lose some property through litigation, but being made of sterner stuff than enters into the composition of the average man, he set to work courageously, and soon retrieved his loss.

Evansville is proud of William H. Glover, for he is a man and a citizen in the full meaning of the terms.



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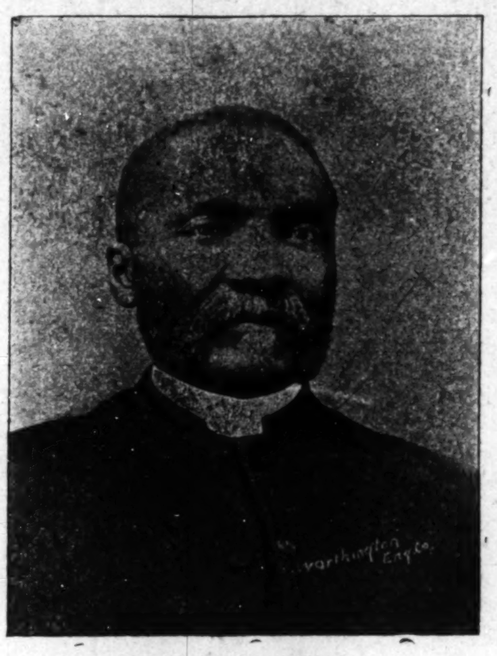


DR. W. H. ANDERSON.

The ambitious desire to rise from lowly surroundings, and the self-directive force by which the accomplishment of large and goo dthings is made possible, are not given to many, but Evansville's "grand old man" found himself possessed with the desire and ambition to rise from his common surroundings, and, with little help, he has forged his way to a place in the front rank of Negro national characters.

Rev. W. H. Anderson was born in Vigo county, Indiana, in 1843. He is today a man full of years, ripe in experience and knowledge, and when his civil rights, or those of his people are encroached upon by those who believe that a Negro has no rights that a white man is bound to respect, Dr. Anderson's trenchant pen, or his fiery oratory and convincing logic soon cause the enemy to "back water."

As a national character, Dr. Anderson is particularly distinguished for two things: He is known to be a race-loving man of the nitense class, and has the courage to fight for his convictions. He is an orator whose logical eloquence stirs men to action.

Dr. Anderson is a shrewd business man, as the fact that he owns valuable farms and good city property will attest. He is an old soldier and pastor of McFarland Baptist church, and has a record as good as the best as a clean Christian man.

Dr. Anderson is author of several books. His "Negro Criminality" is classed among the best literary productions of the race.

REV. J. D. ROUSE.

Among the men of prominence in Indiana few can claim a wider circle of admiring acquaintances and friends than Rev. Rouse. He came of a good, plucky family in Kentucky, who reared him carefully after the slave days passed. He possessed persistence and energy to a marked degree when a boy, and through his efforts attended school at Roger Williams University. He early began the ministry and after much preparation he became the efficient pastor of Liberty Baptist church, where he still occupies the pulpit and has been for 28 years. He has always been known as one who stands on the right side of all public questions, and he has the courage to act in accord with his conviction. He has been pastor of this church for 28 years.

LOGAN STEWART

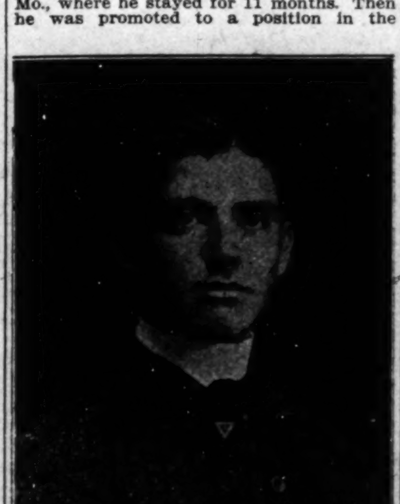
Is a young man of rare business ability. He began when a very young lad as a newsboy, and a few years ago entered the real estate business, in which field he has been the most successful man of the race in Evansville, having accumulated city property to the amount of over $12,000 in value. He is unmarried, quiet, of the best moral habits, and of exceptionally fine social and business qualities.

JOSEPH GIBSON.

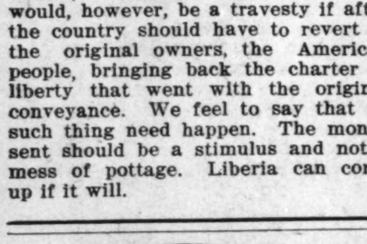
Mr. Gibson does not belong to the small fry," but to the big-hearted bunch of business men of this city. There are not many colored men in business, but of the few who are, none is of finer qualities than Mr. Gibson. He runs an up-to-date grocery store in Douglass street.

ERNEST G. TIDRINGTON

Mr. Ernest G. Tidrington was born at Clarksville, Tenn., in 1879. At the age of 10 months his parents moved to Evansville, where he has since resided. At the age of 12 his father died. From that time Mr. Tidrington has made his own living. He owns one of the pretty homes of the city, and has a number of other pieces of property. Beginning as a water carrier to working men on the streets of the city, Mr. Tidrington has risen to be one of the leaders of the colored people of the State. He received appointment in the post office department at St. Louis, Mo., where he stayed for 11 months. Then he was promoted to a position in the



Library of Congress at Washington, D. C., serving for more than a year. At the solicitation of friends he returned home, to accept the position as deputy sheriff, which he held for more than five years. On January 1 last he was appointed by the Mayor of Evansville to a position in the civil engineer's office, he being the first colored man ever appointed to such position in that city. Recently Mr. Lee, the State chairman of the Republican party, selected Mr. Tidrington as one of his advisers. In lodge and church circles Mr. Tidrington has made rapid progress. He is an active member of the A. M. E. church, being one of the stewards. He is a member of Evansville Lodge No. 18, Knights of Pythias. He is also Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of the State of Indiana, having been elected to this position for five consecutive years. He is also an active Mason, being a member of McFarland Lodge No. 5, Evansville. It is said by people of his home city that anything that he undertakes is always a success, because he is an energetic and persistent young man. He takes delight in helping those who he believes are in need. The Freeman is proud of Mr. Tidrington, because he is a credit to the race. Unlike many young men who have been active in city, State and National politics, he refuses to stoop to things that are degrading to his people. He stands as a man on his dignity and ability. He has many staunch friends and supporters and is one of the best known young men in the State of Indiana, regardless of color.



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The Central Theater, Dalas, Texas, is owned by J. H. Harris, a colored gentleman of ability and worth.

Mr. Arthur Woolidge (Original Rags) was a guest of honor at lunch Monday of the Forepaugh-Sells Circus Annex Band.

Dana Thompson is again organizing his Famous Sunny Dixie Minstrel Show, which will take the road in September. Now at Mapleton, Iowa.

Sam Gordon, the funny facial contortionist, and Emma Keyes, that fast dancing girl, are appearing this week at the family Theater, Lebanon, Pa.

Alonzo Moore, the great magician, is just leaving his summer home with a new act and stage settings, the finest ever produced. Write care Pekin Theater, Chicago, Ill.

Thomas May, H. L. Rawles, Logan Kitchen, Richard Jackson and Ed Wood, of the Annex Band, of the Forepaugh-Sells Circus, were visitors at The Freeman office Sunday.

W. E. Barbour, the Kentucky violinist, who has been with Prof. R. Ray Pope's Annex Band and Orchestra, with the Ringling Bros. Circus, has returned to his home at Louisville. Regards to all.

George Freeman and his two picks have joined the Savoy Stock Company. The picks are working great and the act is going big. Master Leonard Harper does straight for both of the comedy men, Freeman and Shaffer. Freeman sends regards to Prof. Mickell and orchestra, Hanson Ballet and John W. F. Woods.

Barrasso's Big Sensation, now at Vicksburg, Miss. The company is as follows: George Carter, business manager; John H. Williams, producer and stage manager; Thomas Overton, comedian; Theodore Brown, the dancing pick; Edna Benbow, Margie Crosby, Willie Porter, J. H. Williams. J. H. Williams, musical director.

The Wallburgs, by special request, are playing a return engagement at the Central Theater, Dallas, Texas. Hampy and Ray were greatly applauded when they made their appearance. The show roster is as follows: Mers Wilson, Dave Lowe, Doc Strains, Walter Williams, (King Do-Do), H. W. Wallburg, Mrs. H. W. Wallburg (The Georgia Blossom), Emma Johnson, Dandy Thomas, Della Skinner.

SIMMS AND THOMPSON.

Joe Simms wishes to announce that he has joined hands with Walker Thompson, from Louisville, Ky., as a partner. The team is to be known as Sims and Thompson, entertainers in originality singing, talking and dancing; 18 minutes in one. An act that is dressed. Last night I saw their performance at the Monogram. McNeil and McNeil open the bill, then Kelly and Davis, those well-known comedians, then a trio of three beautiful singing girls, known as Melodious Three, and to close was Sims and Thompson, and they certainly closed, that's all. They have six more weeks of the Doyle time.

LINCOLN THEATER, NASHVILLE.

The Chicago comedy show headed by Minstrel Morris is at the Lincoln Theater this week, of the 5th inst. The performance consists of two big sketches and six big olio acts. Minstrel Morris, eccentric juggler; Lester McDaniels, trick cyclist; Madam Charolette, mind reader, head the bill. Kid Gates, Belle Wilson, Dollie Bess, Della Parks, Willie Henderson are also on the bill. Mme. Charolette and M. Morris made a big sensation in their mind reading at calling names and ages, which was the feature of the act. Some songs introduced were as follows: "Who's Who, and What's What?" and others.

AT THE COLUMBIA THEATER.

The Columbia is doing a good business this week, as the increase in the audience shows and the way they keep two little "tender" hands busy at the box office issuing and raking in "free coinage of silver" until they are surely sore, is a shame, but denotes prosperity. Miss Ethel Reed is in her second week, and everybody is running wild over the cute way in which she renders "When I Marry You." Her voice is so melodious that your heart needs must beat fast and queer feelings chase up and down the spinal column. "What eyes," says an every-nighter, and she certainly has them. The Hill Brothers, who are sole owners of the only Negro theater in Indiana owned by Negroes, say they have a big surprise for everybody tomorrow. So turn out and see. C. D. M.

THE HARRISON BROS. MINSTREL.

The Harrison Bros. Minstrels are still meeting with great success, playing to S. R. O. This show is beautifully staged under the management of Mr. Al Boyd, who has endeavored to make this one of the greatest shows of its kind. We are touring the State of Illinois, and send the people away screaming every night.

Brown and English have been re-engaged, and the public have given them credit of being the two real fun-makers, as they keep the house in an uproar from the opening to the closing of the show. Mrs. Effie Moore, our charming soubrette, is cleaning up nightly. Ward and Singleton, the premier comedians, will guarantee to make a pig laugh. Miss Mae Armstrong, Miss Willie Venable and Mrs. Ida Gardner are meeting with success. Mr. Charles Smith, our baritone songster, is getting his, every night singing "Meet Me in Dreamland," assisted by Messrs. Boyd, Henderson and Ward.

The band is under the management of Prof. Wilie Timmons. Mr. Ed Carson and Mr. Upton Williams, our coming acrobats, are doing some very clever stunts. Company send regards to all.

SAVOY AT MEMPHIS, TENN.

We started the week with a regular Lincoln melodrama entitled, "The Bootblack Detective," which was a screamer and was interspersed with nice vaudeville, headed by the Freemans in a very funny scketch, entitled "School Days," Estelle Harris coming next with her usual new songs. Her hit this week is the famous song by Shelton Brooks, "Some of These Days." Mr. Freeman comes next with an up-to-date monologue.

Mr. Benham is still receiving the credit for producing nice, neat, clean shows. Miss Laura is still very popular and is taking the leading role in the drama. Margie Crosby met with a very singular accident last week, having been laid up for a week, but we are glad to say she is up again and doing nicely.

During Prof. McGill's absence Estelle Harris presided over the orchestra. John Williams, Rich Mathews, Tom Overton and Edna Landry and Margie Crosby left last week to take up the Greenville house.

Send regards to all of the profession. McGill says he hasn't heard from Marion Brooks yet.

COX AND COX.

The Cox Trio and Company are still making good at the Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Ga. Miss Carrie Holt has joined the Cox Trio. She is a clever little buck and wing dancer. Miss Mattie I. Gofport joined the team last week and made a great hit, singing "Mean Old Moon," and "Stop That Rag." When Mattie Dorsey makes those eyes, it's something to talk about. Mrs. Cox is a little sick, but she still is the talk of the town, being the neatest and the cleanest little walker ever on a stage, and when the little woman with the loud voice gets to singing you think it is a thunderstorm—Gofport, the funny creature, singing "Great God, Gal, What Do You Mean?"

The Cox Trio would like to hire from some good people to open up a house in Portsmouth, Va., the 30th of September. Two more weeks in Atlanta; week of the 21st, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Ivy Street Theater, Portsmouth, Va., all winter, beginning Sept. 30.

PAST WEEK IN CHICAGO

(BY CARY B. LEWIS.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 6.—Manager Sam Corker, Jr., gave the patrons of the Pekin Theater an excellent bill Monday night. It being Labor Day, the "first nighters" were out in very large numbers. They packed the house at both performances. It was just such another night as when "Consul the Monk" was there.

Perrin and Crosby, the big colored act, was the hit of the evening. The act was styled "A Holiday in Musicville." As a was on the bill, and one of the best novelty, it far surpassed anything that things that has been seen on the stroll for many moons, at least by colored performers.

Perrin used the act some years ago with another partner. On Monday night Miss Goldie Crosy, a delightful little actress who knows her business, was his partner, and they are really good partners.

While they get off a good deal of comedy, they are a scream when Perrin makes music from a clothes prop and Miss Crosby gets music from a wash tub. Tones similar to a violin are heard from the clothes prop and mandolin music from the wash tub.

They used a number of other devices of a "wash-woman" to make music, and they close with getting music from clothes hung on a line, each garment being covered with bells. Mr. Perrin is quite fortunate in having Miss Crosby and the new team will no doubt make continuous hits up and down the "stroll," for they are welcome performers at the Grand and Monogram.

The neatest and most artistic number on the bill was that of Sampel and Reilly. They were fashion plate vocalists and exceedingly clever. For a hanmsode figure and fashionable gowns, evening clothes, they've "got 'em."

The Great Lawrence Albertia, the cannon ball and wire hair marvel, was a most enjoyable number. In his act, he capped the climax when he had two strong men to hold his hair while he turned them around and around like school children. Raising and jiggling heavy balls was part of his act.

J. Aldrich Libby and Kathrine Thayer were not so well received, especially the woman, whose voice was not clear nor sweet in singing numbers of an operatic nature.

Mippe Wullfken, the flexible Venus, was a good number, and this woman showed herself to be as flexible as a snake. The Webb Troupe, novelty acrobats, concluded the evening's programme, which certainly pleased the packed houses.

The Grand.

The manager of the Grand has returned to the city, and the house is having splendid success with the new bills. Last week Goodloe and Goodloe and Taylor and Taylor, of Louisville, weer on the boards. That they made good was evidenced by the applause and favorable comments. Thomas and Cumby are holdovers and are making good this week. The bill for the week includes The Pamplins, one being a female cornetist, and she is good. Jackson and Marguerite, two favorites, that play the part of old man and old woman, go big, as usual. As a banjo picker, Vance Lowery is immense. The Grand enjoyed very big houses on Monday night. Mr. Harry C. Jenkins, formerly manager of Carter's Virginian Warblers, is connected with the Grand, and will be stage manager of the new theater.

Monogram.

Mr. Kline gave his patrons a very good bill this week. It was headed by Kelly and Davis, the two well-known comedians. "Dude" Kelly has a new wardrobe, and much of their work was new. Sims and Thompson sing such songs as "The Man Who Owns Broadway," "Home, Sweet Home," with other melodies, and "My Friend." Three women in a trio specialty was a good number, there being heard new songs and fine harmony. McNeil and McNeil were the other two comedians. A new series of moving pictures were shown. Next week Mr. Klein will have Henderson and Thomas.

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Kelly and Davis are at the Imperial this week and will be at the Juno Theater, Milwaukee, Wis., next week.

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Harry Goodman's Four Samoan Girls are making a hit at the many theaters in the outlying circuits. Helen Goodman is the novelty character comedienne and Maud B. Brewer, Nettie Norton and Mattie McCoy compose the singing, dancing and musical quartette.

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Mr. Bert Williams will be in the city for five weeks. While here his many friends will see that he has a "good time."

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Baseball fans had to take in the theaters for pleasure the past week, owing to the rainy days on the days that big colored games weer scheduled.

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Miss Daisy Collins, who was at the Grand last week, was given a royal reception. She is well known here, having at one time made Chicago her home.

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Misses Brown and Allen arrived in the city Tuesday from New York City. These two young vaudevillians will have a run in and around about Chicago for several months.

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"Juli Jones" has all kinds of music for sale at his place, Twenty-fifth and State. He has just received several thousand postal cards, being souvenirs of all descriptions. Give him a call.

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The Eight Hen Roost Inspectors, with Lanky Lew Payton, are running at high speed in the city. They will be at the Virginia Theater, Sept. 12, and the Apollo, Sept. 19. They are Chas. Small, Bud Price, Fannie Taylor, Maggie Thomas, Lew Payton, Cliff Green, Mary Herndon and Mayme Davis.

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(a) March, "Cotton Babe Rag."
(b) Overture, "Feist's Fads and Fancies." Medley.
(c) Festello and Arco, Comedy Gymnastics.
(d) Griffin Sisters, Our Favorites.
(e) Florida DeLeon, Singing, Dancing Soubrette. Egyptian Dance.
(f) Stirling Bros., "Komikalities."
(g) Milva Cortez.
(h) Clayborn Jones, "The Yama, Yama Man."
(i) Maudeleigh Ogaretta and Her Bunch of Blackberries.
(j) Pictures.
Selection, "Rossiter's Sunny Songs," Medley.
(k) Finale, March, "Carnival Maid."

To Our Patrons.

If this show pleases you, please tell your friends; if it does not please you, please tell us. We try to please all.

The management strives to obtain for presentation the best of acts in vaudeville. The best and best only is our motto, regardless of color or price. Any suggestions tending to improve the character of our show or house will be welcomed by the management. No vulgar remarks or boisterous conduct will be tolerated, as we cater to ladies and gentlemen only.

If you like an act, kindly give your approbation by clapping your hands. In this way you show appreciation for the efforts of the performers and they will appreciate your appreciation.

Please report any inattention of employes or any complaint to the manager.

The Crown Garden this week presents one of the strongest bills of the season. The Griffin Sisters are still here this week, presenting an Indian number of exceptional merit. The rendering of "Some of These Days," by Miss Emma Griffin, is as big a hit as her "Grizzly Bear" number. This is their third consecutive week at this house.

Maudeleigh Ogaretta and seven people are closing the show in an act a la minstrel, and they are making a decided hit.

Stirling Bros. present a comedy acrobatic act that is a scream, and is one of the best acrobatic acts ever seen in Indianapolis.

Florida DeLeon is a French danseuse, graceful dancing.
and she captivates the audience with her

The Arco Brothers, late of Ringlings' Shows, give a startling act upon the flying rings.

Milva Cortez gives a version of the Oriental dancing, something like Salome, but her act is new and original.

Clayborn Jones, the "Yama Yama Man," has come back, and Monday night received an ovation. His act is one that puts him in a class by himself, and judging by the numerous encores he received he stands in with the patrons of the Crown Garden as no one performer here has been able to do before. Two other acts, together with the Crown Garden Orchestra, under the leadership of Bert May, make this week's bill an exceptionally strong one, and packed houses is the result of the efforts of the manager, Paul LeMero, to give Indianapolis a first-class vaudeville theater. This theater will close for two weeks for alterations and enlargements, and when reopened will be one of the best, if not the best, theaters of its kind in the United States. Paul LeMero, the manager, says that no expense will be spared to make this house the most beautiful playhouse for colored people in the United States, and only the best of acts will be booked under his personal supervision, in conjunction with his agent, Chas. A. Harding, of Chicago. He thanks the colored people for their patronage and good behavior, and assures future patrons that this theater will be conducted in an orderly and up-to-date manner.

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GORDON AND KEYES—Week of Sept. 12, Family Theater, Pittstown, Pa.
P. G. LOWERY'S ENTERPRISE, WITH WALLACE-HAGENBACK CIRCUS—Marion, Va., Sept. 11-12; Bristol, Tenn., 14; Greenville, Tenn., 15; Newport, 16; Morristown, 17.
BROWN AND HODGES—Week of Sept. 12, Princess Theater, St. Paul, Ia.
ROCKWELL'S SUNNY SOUTH COMPANY—Modoc, Ont., Sept. 12; Marmora, 13; Bancroft, 14.
CONGO KING COMPANY—Guthrie Center, Ia., Sept. 12; Earlham, 13-14.
PAT CHAPPELLE'S "A RABBIT FOOT" COMPANY—Valdosta, Sept. 12; Tifton, 13; Fitzgerald, 14; Abbeville, 15; Cordele, 16; Americus, 17.
McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Buxton, Ia., Sept. 12-13.
THE BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY—Vincennes, Ind., Sept. 13; Terre Haute, 14; Mattoon, Ill., 15; Cairo, 17.
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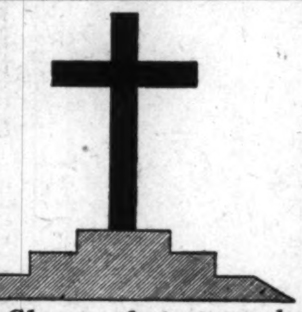

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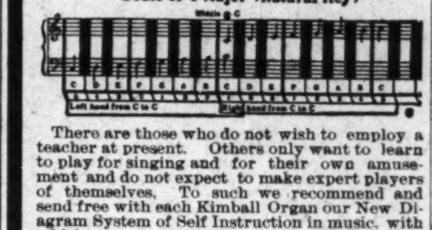

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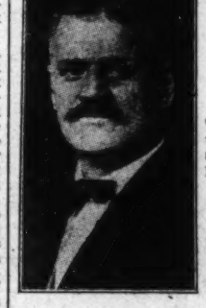

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The Stage.

The Smart Set (Southern) are at Ft. Worth, Texas.

Jones and Gillam at Alexander Theater, Sidney, N. S., week of Sept. 5.

Kenner and Lewis will go to Columbia, S. C., on the 11th to fill an engagement.

The Johnsons, Leone and Billy, are in Pueblo, Col., making a hit. Second time over the circuit.

Mack and Mack, direct from New Orleans; Julia Jones, from Memphis, Tenn., at the Famous Aaltnta, Ga.

E. B. Dudley, now playing at Norfolk, Va., took a flying trip from that city to Washington, D. C., to take in the Smart Set opening.

Brooks and Wilson, comedy knockabout acrobats, 4th to 6th, at the Monheim Theater, 7th to 9th at the Palace, Philadelphia, says hello to Tim Owsley.

Annie Overton is at the Casino, St. Louis, Mo., where she is making good in her songs. She is the wife of Tom Overton of the team of Easton and Overton.

Word comes from Trinidad, Col., that the Hendersons have broken partnership—dissolution Aug. 8. Bad judgment is assigned for the breaking up of a good act. R. O. Henderson is at his home, 2014 Askew avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Kenner and Lewis Amusement Company sends to Paul Carter, Pete Porter, Happy Go Lucky Simpson,, Lonnie Fisher, Butler May, Joe Simms, Johnnie Stevens, G. W. Allen and wife, Kite Fisher, Sid Perrin, Tom and Lizzie Thomas, Viola Stewart.

Thos. Thompson, pianist, and S. D. Henderson, comedian, closed with the Jubilee Singers, enroute with the Parker shows, and are now doing vaudeville in Des Moines, Iowa, next week at the Mirror Theater. Regards to all in and out of the profession.

E. B. Dudley and his superb orchestra are at the Globe Theater, Norfolk, Va. The members are: Prof. E. B. Dudley, piano; S. B. Foster, A cornet; Ward Andrews, trombone; Henry Paschal, claronet; Jas. Smith, double bass; Garfield Carter, trap drums.

Crampton and Brown's Cuban and American Stock Company opened at Petersburg, Va., Monday, under the management of these two talented actresses (Pauline Crampton and Lillian Brown) with a brand new show, ten in number, playing "Jim Green from Georgia," a musical drama in two acts that is a scream from start to finish.

We hung out the S. R. O. sign in both shows Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Pauline Crampton scored a big hit in every show as Jim Green from Georgia.

Miss Tina Thornton has been on the sick list all the week, but she scores big in every show.

Miss Barbara Santama, the little Cuban soubrette, and Miss Maggie Taylor are taking three and four encores, singing the Barber Shop song.

Mr. and Mrs. Lundon Johnson are big favorites both on and off the stage.

Anthony Conley and John Drew, the baby tenor, are doing fine.

Miss Brown was called to the bedside of her sick mother, but expects to return soon.

Our hustling promoter and business manager, Walter L. Crampton, is certainly a hustler in this business from the front door to the stage he is at home. In front he is still better.

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The bunch sends regards to Russell, Owens and Brook Stock Company.

Auther sends regards to Mrs. Jennie Taylor. Wyh don't you write?

The entire show sends regards to old friends in and out of the profession.

Mr. Crampton sends regards to Slim Henderson, Billie Earthquake, Jene Mikell and others. Say, why don't you write?

After three weeks will be at the Globe Theatre, Richmond.

THE GREAT ANDIS COMPANY.

Special to The Freeman.

The company is doing a fine business at Huntsville, Ala. We have with us Henry Thomas, the funny comedian. He pleases with his funny sayings. Jake McConkle, monologist, is cleaning up; also Garfield McGee, the droll comedian. The orchestra under Prof. S.C. Eliot is a splendid organization of nine pieces.

ROCKWELL'S SUNNY SOUTH BAND

The roster of Rockwell's Sunny South Concert Band, at Greenfield, Mass., is as follows: George Thomas, director; Geo. Thomas, Bb cornet; Al Prevoa, Bb cornet; Lewis Bedford, Eb cornet; Robert Edmonds, 1st alto; Teddy Redmond, baritone; Joe Oberly, slide trombone; Clark Goodly, Bb bass; Tip Saunders, snare drum; Harry Morgan, bass drum; Billy Ward, cymbals.

THE SUNNY SOUTH DIXIE MINSTRELS.

The company is playing in Iowa to good business. Some of the people with the show are Ed and Rosa Ives, Ford and Lillian Wiggins, Walter and Willie Bess Gilmore, Harry Jones, Robert Ellis (Alabama), Frank Robinson (violin), Isiah Washington and Rosebud, Julius Moss (Rastus), Fred Jackson, Frank Tucker. Dana Thompson, owner and manager.

THE DIXIE THEATER, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

The Moores (Tim and Esther) are keeping the audiences in an uproar at every appearance. Tim is creating a sensation singing his favorite songs.

Miss Ethel Brown, a clever singing soubrette, opened Monday night, and is going big. Her songs are catchy and full of ginger.

Mrs. Esther Moore is rapidly becoming one of the greatest coon shouters in the hot belt.

Bert Houze, the comedy king, assisted by his wife, Carrie Houze, is keeping the audiences in a wonder.

Each change of program is a bigger scream than the other.

Professor Slade knows what to do at the piano.

George Platte is one of the South's best trap drummers.

Our bunch says hello to the entire profession.

PEKIN PICKINGS.

At Pekin Theatre, Cincinnati, O., Pekin Pickers are playing to standing room only. We have with us McNeil-McNeil, John and R. Desdamonia; they are delivering the goods to suit the audiences at each show. The McNeils just closed at the Monogram, State street, Chicago, and will make a return date next week. We also have with us Mr. J. Francis Mores, baritone, formerly of Williams and Walker's show. His act is going big each night.

Mr. Ollie Dempsey spares no pains to make this one of the comfortable theatres in town.

Mrs. Desdamonia McNeil sends regards to Kate Fisher, Gertrude Raney, Mabel DeHeard (of Smart Set); also Arcade Theatre bunch; Famous Theatre at Atlanta, Ga.

John says hello Kenner, Lewis, Tim Owsley.

The bunch sends regards to The Freeman staff and all friends in and out of the profession.

SMART SET CO. AT CHARLESTON, S. C.

The night performance at Charleston on the 24th of August broke all previous records at the King Street Academy, from the viewpoint of attendance. When the curtain dropped on the finale of the night performance there was a line of carriages waiting the members of the company, in which they were hurriedly driven to the Maceo Theater, where they were the recipients of a reception, which will long be remembered.

Mr. J. H. Hurbert, owner of the Maceo, and Messrs. Lew Kinner and John Lewis, of the Kinner and Lewis Amusement Company, who are now holding the bills at the Maceo were responsible for the very pleasant and magnificent reception at one of the most popular little play houses in the South.

At the conclusion of a special performance put on for the Smart Set, the members of the company were escorted to the Maceo reception hall. There guests from the city's most elete had assembled. Oratory, toasts and good things were the order. Mr. Lewis addressed the audience, after which he introduced his loyal partner, Mr. Kinner. Then Mr. J. H. Hurbert. Next came Hon. R. C. Brown, one of the most popular attorneys in the South, who paid a glowing tribute to the ladies of the Smart Set Company for their beauty. The writer does not remember which of the ladies he accused of being the most beautiful.

Mr. J. J. Weaver very ably responded to the several toasts in behalf of the Smart Set Company, after which refreshments were served and socializing generally followed, until the wee sma' hours of the morning, when the members of the company were wheeled to their private car in time to leave on an early train for Savannah, Ga.

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Mr. J. H. Woodson, basso, of the Smart Set Company, lost his father a few days ago. The company showed their sympathy with Mr. Woodson in his bereavement by making up a purse of something more than $20.

Mr. and Mrs. Sank Sims, Mr. H. S. Wooten, Mr. J. J. Weaver had a day and night lay-over in their home, Atlanta, Ga., on the 28th ult. They all report a pleasant time while there. Miss Hallie Dean also spent the day in Atlanta visiting friends.

EXCHANGE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

The bunch is all doing fine. We have with us the original Buddle Glenn, our leading black-face comedian; Norga Bradford, the Mexican cow boy; John Jones, the great basso of the Standard Comedy Four of Philadelphia, Pa., and others. Mao Gussie Wines is making a great hit singing the Grizzly Bear. J. B. Pitt of Atlantic City, stage manager, better known as the wiry man. Regards to Harry J. Williams, and all friends in and out of the profession.

BARRETT'S THEATER, ST. LOUIS.

I wish to say to The Freeman readers that we are still improving. At last we have the Johnson and Jeffries fight pictures. The colored people of St. Louis should be proud as they can go in a house, yell all they want to.

We also have a fine show. Miss Mamie Gardner is coming to be one of our best performers in the business. Kas Coleman is an original comedian. For a young man he is a corker.

We have a fine three-piece orchestra in Mr. Matthews, piano; Mr. Harris, violin; Mr. Steve Adams, drums.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY.

The company is doing fine business in Birmingham, Utica, Watertown and localities intervening despite the rain.

Manager R. Voelckel has returned from his business trip to New York City looking fine and with a satisfied smile.

Gorge Harper, whose services are indispensible with this company, is looking forward to a pleasant visit home in Columbus, Ga., in five weeks.

Fishing around the New York summer resorts is the favorite pastime of the company while playing in this locality, very little attention being given to hunting around these Adirondack mountains, notwithstanding large game is said to be plentiful around here.

The octette this season is to be a winner, both in costumes and singing. It is composed of Jennie Hunter, Ruby Taylor, Emma Prince, Stella Cash, Lewis Hunter, Luke Scott, Zel Bledsaux and Gus Hall.

John Grant "Dearie" is convalescent after days of tonsilitis suffering.

The press heaps nothing but praise upon the members for their zealous and earnest efforts to entertain their audience.

THE FAMOUS THEATER, ATLANTA, GA.

Special to The Freeman.

Leading characters of Railroad Jack:
Elbert White, villain.
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Billie Arent, Original White.
John M. Day, policeman.
Blanch Russell, bar tender.
Charlie Mack, judge.
Maud Campbell, bell of the wash.
Manse McDaniel, Mr. Brown.
Irene White, Mr. Brown's daughter.
Grace Arent,, includes the 4th act.
Howard Holler, pianist.
John Nickelby, trap drummer.

Kinner and Lewis' Aumusement Comare still holding the boards at this popular play house and are going big nightly. They have been here six weeks and are drawing the crowds. On the 29th they put on "A Good Clean Cook" and it was a scream, and the next half of the week "Zeke From Horseshoe Bend," which was a scream also. The people of Charleston appreciate every act that Kinner and Lewis put before them. Their acts are not the kind which you often see without a head or tail to it. Miss Millie Williams went big singing Funny Face and Wild Cherry Vag the first part of the week and the next half singing that ever popular song, Napanee, and featured it. It was a scream. Alberta Smiley, an idol here, has been pulling the house down nightly singing Grizzly Bear. They won't allow her to sing anything else.

THE RAISE OF THE CURTAIN FOR THE SEASON OF 1910 AND 1911.

What a Change—Things Have Come to Pass Beyond All Reason.

By Jules Jones, Jr.

The season of 1910 and 1911 curtain is raised on one of the most pitiful scenes the colored showman has presented in thirty years. From the very face of the dismal scene it shows that the colored actor hasn't got a leg to stand upon, that he is hopelessly lost from the legitimate organized company concerned. The only faint hope left is the vaudeville stage. The colored showman has lost whatever holding or footing he had in the end of the amusement world. Who is at fault, The writer does not care to recall to the mind of the readers of The Freeman the notes of the past, but in cases of this kind it is well to remind those who do read Negro papers or believe what they may happen to see in one of them when some writer tries to point out some disaster that awaits a certain body of hard workers. The February edition of The Freeman spoke out and said that the colored shows had lost their standing in booking in second-class houses and a few first-class houses. One reason given is that vaudeville has taken the day, that the houses and the public demanded quick shows, cheap prices; that is so and will continue to be so. Vaudeville is here to stay, but that excuse is not good enough to offer, as the reason that Cole and Johnson will not go out, that Miss Ada Overton Walker did not get her new show, that Bert A. Williams had to close his show two months earlier than the end of the regular season. It is well to sit up and look at facts in a common judgment way. One will plainly see this great failure which has come about was from the lack of the colored actor knowing how to amuse in the advanced way; that he has not improved one bit; that all of his shows are alike; that his audience knows just what he is going to say or do before he opens his mouth or makes a move. All of this is well done the first time you see a colored show, but continually doing the same for years and years made Barnum & Bailey take a back seat. The colored showmen have no one to blame for their failure other than themselves. They would not produce writers and managers who could advance ideas and manage matters to meet the approval of the public. There is no use to speak of race prejudice, that is the lamest of all excuses. The colored actor has played all first-class houses in America, North and South alike, and has been given plenty of room to show his talent or art, and well paid for his trouble. Every show alike, only a few different faces. One bucking the other, well satisfied at the thought that his show was better and drew more money in the house than the show which preceded him. His only ambition was to make it hard for another colored show. This same rule works in vaudeville—never once thinking that they would have to do better, produce novelties and surprises on the public, in fact, improve in all departments. As things stand today if there is not a quick change, which is not likely to happen, every colored actor will have to look to the South for his bread, with a few exceptions, and a very few; with only two colored shows, or perhaps three, on the road—no houses to play.

The vaudeville stage is worse still. It can be said almost as the truth that there won't be ten colored acts booked over any of the big vaudeville circuits this coming season because they have nothing new to offer. The only pleasant thing about this dismal affair is that the colored man in the South and many scattered throughout the North, have built small theaters without one bit of encouragement from the colored showman, yet this is his only salvation, the only encouragement the small house colored manager received was that the Pekin Theater, in Chicago, was a success, and that was all they knew. But should one-half of the ambitious colored managers in this country have known the work and money it cost the owner of the Pekin to put it where it is today, many would shake their heads and give up the idea. It is safe to say that it cost more money and harder work to put the Pekin Theater where it stands today in the eyes of the public than it has to put any ten colored amusement resorts combined on the map. Nor would the proprietor of the Pekin Theater go through or over the same ground again for a half-million dollars, but the results stand out well all over the country. From these little houses we are compelled to get something out of the ordinary from the rising generation from every department. The little houses in the South need not whine about talent. There will be talent, and plenty of it, in their fields before many moons—talent that will surprise every one. The change in one year's time makes it safe to predict that the South will be well filled with colored acts inside of one year. Actors and baseball players are alike; they never quit the business until they die or can't get anything to do. Baseball players are regulated from the minor leagues to the big leagues, and from there back to the minor leagues. Actors go from the small stages and shows to the big companies, and from there back to the small companies again. There are acts today playing small houses three and four times a night any place the agent sends them, and if any one should have asked them to play such houses one year ago they would have stood in danger of being shot. Should the request to play to a colored audience have been made the reply would have been that colored people could not understand their act or his act. These same actors have changed their minds and have cut in on the wholesale order and made everybody understand their act. It is hard to say whether this is a pity or a blessing. There is one thing sure—that some of them who have been on their extreme lofty perch will be kind enough to advise the young, aspiring youth to try and originate and not to waste his time in trying to imitate; that no imitator ever reaches the standard of the originator; by any of the above remarks the writer does not say or mean to infer that the Negro will be annihilated or wiped off the theatrical globe. He will stick in the business and make hits here and there, no matter how hard it comes for them. But what the race lover wants to see as a whole be classed as the best and equal to any race, if not better; that our theaters are conducted and managed better than any house in their respective locations; that men of all races will consider it a treat to attend one of our shows in our own houses with real Negro manager and players.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

Special to The Freeman.

Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Mary Cunningham to Mr. Charles Matthews, Sept. 10, at the home of the bride's parents, 416 W. Wright street. Mr. Matthews resides in Kansas City, Kan., and is engaged in the U. S. government service. He was formerly of Pensacola. Immediately after the marriage ceremony the bride and groom will leave for Kansas City, where they will reside for the present....Miss Mary Claibone, of North C street, is very ill....Dr. S. W. Jefferson was suddenly called to Jacksonville last week on account of the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Eva Jefferson, widow of the late John F. Jefferson....Mr. S. P. Miller, of 812 East Desota street, has been quiet ill for the last few weeks. Many of Mr. Miller's friends hope that he will be out again....On account of the illness of her father, Miss Marion Miller, cannot be out with her friends as she wishes....The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Williams, sister-in-law of Mr. Joe Morris, took place from her late residence, 420 North Farragona street, Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Interment in Magnolia Cemetery....All news for publication should be reported to Walker W. Thomas before Friday of each week or left at the Pensacola or the Phoenix drug store....If any one wants a Freeman brought to their door C. O. D. on Sunday, leave their address at the Pensacola or the Phoenix drug store....The Freeman is on sale at the Pensacola drug store and the Phoenix drug store....Mr. Walter Everhart is out again after a few days' illness....Mr. V. G. Steward arrived last week, after a very pleasant visit to relatives in North Carolina....Mrs. Erima Williams and daughter, Esther, of Mobile, Ala., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Fannie Fredericks, of West Jackson street....Mrs. Henr Washington, of Warrington, arrived after a visit to relatives in Chicago, Ill....Mrs. Howard Williams returned after a visit to Chicago, Ill.... Mr. Charlie Taylor, who has been quite ill for the last few weeks, is out again ....Miss Alice Marbray returned home last week from Mariana, where she has been visiting friends.

ADDYSTON, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

W. K. Riddle, of Cincinnati avenue, visited Mansfield Mansfield, Massillon, Columbus, and other points of interest Monday....Silvus Mitchell, of Massillon, Ohio, was seen greeting old friends in our village Monday....Miss Pearl Garnett has just retudned from a trip to Cleveland, Massillon, Canton and several other points....Mrs. Maud Pillow, clerk and proprietor of the Pillow cash grocery, and Mrs. Edna Gaines, of Indianapolis, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Brooks, at Wilmington, Ohio, Sunday.... J. W. Williams, proprietor of the barber shop at J. W. Gaines' cafe, has opened a cleaning, pressing and dying establishment at his residence, on Cincinati avenue....The Dunbar Literary Society held a business meeting Wednesday evening. Several officers and a news critic were elected. A program will follow at an early date. The Freeman correspondent desires the public to know that the "Dunbar News" office is open every evening. Any person failing to see the correspondent can leave items at that place and same will receive prompt attention.... Mrs. W. Williams entertained Monday evening Mrs. Nanie Raimey, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Jas. Robinson, of this city. ....The reception held at the S. H. Pillow hall Monday evening from 8 until 12, in honor of Miss Rilder Thawell, of Detroit, Mich., and Mis Lizzie Wakes and Miss Alice Smith, of St. Louis, Mo., was a delightful affair. More than seventy-five guests were present. Johnson's orchestra furnished the music, and dancing was the order of the evening. At 12 o'clock the guests were served to a sumptuous repast....C. Foster, manager of the Addyston Ramblers, took his first trip abroad Sunday to California, Ohio, and lined up against the Adonoaks base ball team at Frey's Amusement Park. The Ramblers were in good condition and made an excellent showing. Oiander Murphy did the umpiring and William Parker did the pitching. Several of the best players were used from the Delhi Blues team. Although several errors were made the game was a close one, the score being 5 to 2 in favor of the Adonoaks. The attendance was good....The marriage of Mr. William Raimey, a popular and energetic young man of our village, and Miss Lizzie Wakes, an esteemed young miss, took place at the squire's office in this city Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. C. Foster accompanied the party to the city. The bride's costume was a blue silk Princess, trimmed in white lace. The groom wore a blue woolen traveling suit. Mr. Raimey was formerly of St. Louis, Mo., and is employed as night bartender at the J. W. Gains cafe. Miss Wakes is a resident of this village and has just returned from a trip to Detroit, Mich. Miss Wakes was the first colored graduate from the village school. Since her graduation she has been, until recently, employed at the S. H. Pillow cash grocery as clerk, resigning her position for a more suitable one in the city. Monday evening a reception was held at Pillow's hall from 8 until 12 in honor of the marriage. About seventy-five guests were present. Delicacies of all kind were served. Johnson's orchestra furnished the music. Many guests from out of the city were present. A number of costly presents were received....Hopkinsville was the scene of a fashionable wedding Monday evening. At 8 o'clock Mr. Harrison Hines and Miss Anna Washington were united in marriage at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Watkins. Rev. S. L. Sanders performed the ceremony. The couple were gorgeously arrayed. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers. A reception was held after the wedding. Quite a number of guests were present. Mr. Hines is a member of the First Baptist Church, and a prominent young man. Miss Washington, until recently, was employed at Fernback, Ohio, for a very wealthy family, and is considered among the leading young misses of the village. Many nice and costly presents were received. Mr. and Mrs. Hines expect to housekeep in a short time....Rev. George Lewis, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Delhi, filled the pulpit at Rev. S. D. Sanders' church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock....The Rev. Mrs. M. J. Brannon, evangelist, has returned home from Plymouth, Ky., where she held a three weeks' revival....J. W. Gaines and quite a number of base ball fans accompanied the "Ramblers" to California, Ohio, Sunday.

ODD FELLOWS TO MEET.

Special to The Freeman.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 1.—The final preparations are being made for the entertainment of the fifteenth session of the Biennial Movable Committee of Odd Fellows, which meets here week after next. For some time a committee of which City Councilman Harry S. Cummings is chairman, and Jesse L. Nicholas secretary, has been laboring hard planning for the entertainment of the thousands of visitors expected.

The mayor and city council have generously donated the Center Market hall for the business sessions; the ice-boat Latrobe for an outing down the Chesapeake bay, and an appropriation of $400 for the special electrical illumination of Druid Hill avenue from Biddle street to Lafayette avenue, a distance of five blocks.

The social affairs will include a moonlight trip and coabfeast at Brown's grove on the evening of September 13, and a monster ball and reception at the Lyric two evenings later. A parade will take place the afternoon of the ball, to be followed by a competitive drill for a prize of $150.

The opening session will be held at Sharp Street Memorial M. E. church, on September 12, at 10 a. m. Welcome addresses will be delivered by Governor Crothers, Mayor Mahuol and Councilman Cummings. Responses will be made by Rev. Dr. W. A. Credett, of Philadelphia, and others.

The election of officers will take place at the closing session. Among the candidates to succeed William L. Houston, who will retire after a successful four-year term, are E. P. James, of Mississippi; Edward H. Morris, of Chicago, and John C. Asbury, editor of the Odd Fellows' Journal, Philadelphia. Hon. John C. Daney and Henry P. Slaughter, of Washington are mentioned as successors to Mr. Asbury as editor.

James F. Needham, of Philadelphia, the present grand secretary of the order, will be a candidate to succeed himself.

The Household of Ruth, the female auxiliary, will also meet at the same time. FRANKLIN F. JOHNSON.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Special to The Freeman.

The Old Virginia chicken supper given at the A. M. E. church on August 24 was a grand success....Miss Myrtle House, of Adrian, Mich., is visiting in this city as the guest of Mrs. Bessie Williams. ....Mrs. G. Marshall, Mrs. W. De Lyons, Mrs. P. Grayson, Mrs. A. Phillips left Thursday for Kalamazoo to attend the conference....Mrs. Alice Johnson and Mrs. Ida Gaines have returned to this city from Detroit, where they attended the Conclave....William E. Griffin, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Griffin, is on the sick list....Mrs. Daniel F. Corrothers, of Kalamazoo street, left on Monday for a two months' visit with friends and relatives in Ohio and Indiana....Mrs. Joseph Robbins and children are visiting in Detroit, Mich., and Canada....Mrs. Allie Johnson and Mrs. Ida Gaines have left for Kalamazoo to attend the conference, and while there they will be the guests of Mrs. James Simons.... Mrs. I. Ellen and daughter, Mrs. Beulah Patterson, stopped over in this city last week while enroute to Kalamazoo to attend the conference....Rally at the A. M. E. church on Sunday, September 4 for the benefit of the pastor....The Freeman is for sale every Saturday by Gladnil Williams, agent....Mrs. Oscar O. Corrothers, of St. Joe, Mich., is enroute home after spending several days in Detroit, Mich.

CAPE MAY, N. J.

Special to The Freeman.

Capt. and Mrs. E. L. Webster of Washington, D. C., are the guests of Mrs. J. B. Seales, Mount Holly, N. J. The three are spending a week at Cape May, N. J., stopping at Dale's Washington Hotel....Mrs. C. C. Smith, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. H. L. Hoxter, of Wilmington, Del., and Miss Evetts, of Baltimore, Md., have joined the Seales party at Cape May. They are having an enjoyable time.... Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dale, of the Washington Hotel, Cape May, N. J., gave a champagne luncheon Friday afternoon. They had as their guests Capt. and Mrs. E. L. Webster and Mrs. C. C. Smith, of Washington, D. C.; Miss Evetts, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. J. B. Seales and Mr. L. D. Jones, of Mount Holly, N. J., Mr. H. H. Hearring, of St. Louis, Mr. and Mr. J. Kemp, of New ork City. The host and hostess were delightfully entertaining; the table was tastily arranged, and the whole party spent a very pleasant hour.

DECATUR, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Fully two hundred visitors were in the city last week attending the Woodriver Baptist Association. Prominnent people from all over the state attended. They were royally entertained by the citizens of Decatur. They transacted much business and enjoyed themselves socialyl also. Dr. Brown of St. Louis preached a soul-stirring memorial sermon at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon....Rev. S. L. Edwards preached a fine sermon at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church last Sunday. Rev. G. W. Brown preached at 7:45....Miss Emma Smith of Bloomington spent Sunday in the city. ....Miss Della Blanton, of Muskogee, Okla., is in the city visiting Mrs. Jane King....Miss Gertrude Dansby, our noted artist, who graduated from James Millikin University, will leave Friday for Chicago, where she will enter the Chicago Art School....Mrs. Tugura, of Joliet, is in Decatur visiting friends.

MILLEDGEVILLE, GA.

Special to The Freeman.

The baseball season here has come to a close. The local team played 14 games winning 9. It recently played the Flat Rock Tigers, defeating them in two games. Score 7 to 3 and 8 to 7.

The club left Wednesday for a series of games. It is thought it will be successful. The managers, Gibson and Davis, have been congratulated on the showing of the team. It will get the club in much faster company next year, judging from the kind of game it put up this year. The old Capital drug store is headquarters for The Freeman.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. William Diggs has returned from Chicago after a pleasant visit....Mrs. Martella Newby has returned home after a pleasant stay in St. Lou's, Mo., with her children....The People park on Franklin street has entertained the public all week with a high-class carnival. ....The Cumberland River Association met with St. John Baptist church August 22 and had a soul-stirring meeting; good papers; fine sermons. A large number was in attendance throughout the session....Dabney's orchestra entertained at Masonic hall Tuesday night.

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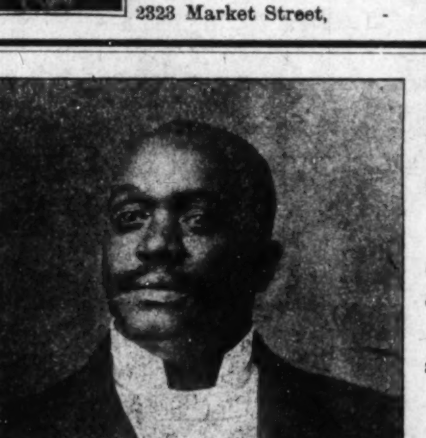

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GANS' OWN STORY OF HIS LIFE; WORKED HARD TO WIN TITLE

"Old Master's" Real Name Was Gamp—Started Out in Life Working in Fish Market, Then Took Up Boxing.

The following is Joe Gans' own story of his ring career, written in 1907, after he had decided to lead a square life and acknowledged fake fights in which he had participated.

By JOE GANS.

My real name, you know, isn't Gans. It is Gamp. People called me Gans, because it was easier, and after a time I adopted the name to fight under. I began fighting when I was 16 years old. I was born in 1874 in Baltimore, instead of 1876, as most people think.

We were poor people. My mother, when I was a little boy, had to work hard. My father didn't do much to support the family, and my mother took in washing and did other things. She got me two or three suits of clothes a year, of course, and was always anxious to have me go to school and learn something. But I went to work in a fish market when I was a little fellow. I used to be a very fast runner, and I always played with the white boys.

In the market I boxed a good deal after hours. Once the boss and his brother and I each put in $1.70 and we bought a set of $5 boxing gloves. Then I boxed more than ever. I got too good for the other boys. We bought another pair of gloves, and nearly every day I boxed with two other fellows at a time. They would both go after me, and that's how I first learned to block and duck and look out for myself.

First Fight for $2.

My first fight was to a finish with another young fellow. We fought for a $2 side bet and a collection. The collection came to $5.40, so I got $7.40 for winning. It looked like a lot of maney, and I toofl it right home to my mother.

My next fight I won in twenty-three rounds, and I got a purse of $8.

Then I began picking up little fights, meeting the boxers and wrestlers who traveled around giving exhibitons and earning a few dollars here and there. I took it all home and gave it to my mother. It worried her. She asked me where I got it, and I told her I won it gambling. But she was afraid I was stealing it or something, so at last I took my uncle one night to see me fight, and show him how I got the money. When he told her, she wanted me to stop fighting and I told her I would. But I couldn't keep away from it long, for I liked the game too much by that time. It worked up very gradually. In those days I didn't have much of a punch, but I was very fast and I could jab with my left hand in great shape. I didn't know I had a right hand.

The first big fight I had was with the "Kentucky Rosebud." He was a little Joe Walcott for fighting. He had just knocked out George Dixon. I beat him in six rounds. In the third I knocked him down with a short right to the chin. He was very bad and I could have finished him then if I had known a little more about the game.

Best Man Hard to Pick.

It is hard to pick out the best men I have ever met, looking back over sixteen years, all full of fights. I wouldn't say it was Erne. Frank was clever, but I can honestly say that I felt myself master over him in our fights. It isn't Dal Hawkins, although he hit me one blow that was harder and more damaging than any other one punch I ever got. It isn't Nelson. I consider Bat a fine bulldog, a wonderfully tough fellow and hard to hurt, but not a great fighter.

I think I can safely say that Willie Fitzgerald is the man. Until Fitzgerald fought me for the lightweight title he was coming very fast. In fact, lots of the best sporting men of the country thought my time had passed and picked Fitz to put me out of the game. Fitzgerald was a mighty tough proposition. He was game and strong. He was clever, and he was a natural born fighter. He swung a great deal, and his swings were dangerous if they landed. Fitz had a trick of swinging on ehand after the other. I watched him closely and timed his swings as well as I could. He made me do a lot of ducking. I would duck the first swing, and sometimes the second or third would graze my jaw by half an inch. Why, Herford, who was managing me then, was nearly scared to death for fear I might bump into one and get knocked out. Early in the fight, when I came back to my corner, Al said, "For God's sake, Joe, be careful."

Hard Fight to Down Fitz.

I had to give Fitzgerald a terrible beating to win. If we had fought again it would have been easier the second time. Somehow, no fighter can ever face a man who has given him a bad beating, with the same confidence he had before. Fitz was as near the lightweight championship that night as any man I ever fought.

One of my early fights was with Young Griffo. He was a wonder when we fought that time. I didn't have experience enough to put him out then. He was a mighty peculiar fighter and had the most original style I ever saw anywhere. He stood right up to me and never gave back a step. He blocked and then punched back before I could step away after hitting him. He had a thick, short neck and he never ducked a blow, yet it seemed almost impossible to hit him. It was exasperating, punching at a fellow at close quarters and having all the blows picked up before they landed. It felt like punching into a feather cushion. Fighting him, I learned some things about boxing that made other men easy to hit, and I knocked out a number of them during the next year.

Takes Lanky Bob as Model.

About this time Bob Fitzsimmons was the most famous knocker-out in the country. He had put out Jack Dempsey, Jim Hall, Dan Creedon, and a lot of others, and had finished Peter Maher in a round. I followed Fitz around and watched him when he was meeting all comers on the stage. Fitz generally put them out in a round or two. I always was a great student and I watched every move that Fitz made. After I went home at night I would lie in bed and try to figure Fitzsimmons' movements out in my mind, and picture how he punched them. That influenced me a great deal. I never took a boxing lesson in my life. I made Fitz my model. I learned his system of using short hooks that traveled only a foot or so, and I became a knocker-out myself. Fitz always looked awkward, but to my mind was the cleverest fighter I ever saw. He didn't look fast, but he was fast, and nobody could get away from his punches. Age has grabbed Fitz now, but he can still beat a lot of them.

It seems queer that even Fitz has dropped back now. All the fighters who were great when I was young are gone. Some are dead and some of them have outlived their time in the ring, but I am still going along fighting as wel las I ever did in my life.

Beats Kid McPartland.

In '97 I beat Kid McPartland in New York. McPartland was very clever and fast. I won on a decision in twenty rounds. The Kid jabbed and made a clever fight of it.

In the first round I dropped him with a right hander on the jaw—one of those short Fitzsimmons punches. He took nine. Knowing as much as I do now, I could have kept after him and finished him quickly after that. But I didn't have experience enough yet, and he stalled. I had the fight well in hand all the way, but he was so clever that he pulled along to the end by blocking and jabbing with me.

That was the first fight that brought me any big money. The betting was 16 to 6 on McPartland. I got $5,000 for winning, and took my part of it back to my mother. She never had to do any more hard work after that. I always looked out for her, even when I was down to a hard, thin dime.

I got between $5,000 and $6,000 for beating Jack Daly. Daly was one of the best lightweights in the country then. He had just fought a twenty-round draw with Kid Lavigne, and was looked on as a coming champion. I dropped Daly for the count in the third round, but, like McPartland, he was clever enough to stall me off when he got up. I won on the decision in twenty-five hard fought rounds.

Develops a Punch.

While I was winning over these topnotchers I was developing my punch all the time, and put out a lot of the fairly good men. Then came the fight with George McFadden. That was the only time I ever experienced a kockout in my life. I underestimated McFadden, who was a mighty dangerous man in those days. He was as tough as Battling Nelson, and besides that he could fight. Oh, yes, he was a better man that Nelson, all around.

McFadden started rushing, and before we had gone many rounds I certainly wished for a rest. He came every second of the way, hammering all the time. My cleverness was no good when I got tired. He gradually beat me down until I was helpless, and in the twenty-third round he knocked me out. I was well whipped that time. But if you notice I can always study out a way to beat the men who have been beating me. I fought McFadden again three months later and got a draw. Three months later still I beat him in twenty-five rounds. We fought several times on nearly even terms, and it wasn't until 1902 that I finally polished him off in three rounds out in Frisco and settled all questions between us. McFadden wasn't nearly so dangerous a fighter as Fitzgerald, but he was an awfully tough proposition to beat down. He was an iron man.

Hawkins Always Dangerous.

Dal Hawkins was another terribly dangerous fellow to fight. I met him for the first time in New York in 096. He got the decision in fifteen rounds. It was a bad decision—but why holler now? I fought Dal again in 1900.

That was a terror while it lasted. Dal was always out for a quick finish. He had the one most dangerous punch I ever saw used in the right. It was a long left hook, with the arm nearly stright. It was an easy blow to get away from, but whenever it landed it was almost a sure knockout.

I knew all about this one punch of Dal's, and I looked for it. In the very first round we were punching away when all of a sudden I found myself lying on the floor and heard the referee say "six." I half realized what was going on and managed to get to my feet before the count of ten. Hawkins rushed in to finish me. I didn't know where I was, but somehow I instinctively hooked my right over and caught him on the jaw. Then as my head cleared I found myself standing there looking at Hawkins, who was flat on his back. He took the count and rose in time. We were both too woozy to land a knockout. In the second I put the right over again and Dal took the long count.

After the fight I happened to meet Dal, and we talked it over. Dal said that he didn't expect to slip that left hook in so early in the fight. He just tried it softly when he saw a small opening in my guard, and to his surprise it went through and caught me on the chin. I'm satisfied that he told the truth. If he had put full force behind that blow he would have knocked me cold.

Dal and his friends wanted another chance, so I fought him again just three months later here in New York.

It's a curious thing, and it shows how dangerous that left of his was. He slipped it on me again, and but for the fact that it grazed my jaw, instead of landing squarely, he might have put me away. We mixed it again, and in the third round I dropped him with another right hook on the chin and knocked him out. Hawkins was a man to be feared. The only way to fight him was to watch closely every second of the way for his left hook. The blow was easily avoided if you saw it coming in time; but he struck like a rattlesnake, and if he landed the fight was usually over.

Never Feared Erne.

I never considered Frank Erne a very dangerous fighter. When he won from me in New York it wasn't because he had any of the best of me in boxing or fighting. He butted me under the eye. The blood blinded me. I had never been cut in a fight before. I had never seen my own blood flow, and the sight of such a stream scared me. I thought my eye was entirely destroyed. When we fought again at Fort Erie I had my battle planned to an inch. For nights before I lay in bed thinking out Erne's moves and figuring how I could catch him. Some fellows will go back one step or two steps when they give ground. Erne, when he went back from a feint, would only go a certain number of inches, and then start forward again. I planned to meet him immediately, feint with him, and as he drew back to a certain position, hook my right hand over to the spot where he ought to be. I could have followed my schedule with eyes shut and put him out, for he did exactly what I had just figured on. We feinted. Erne drew back just so far and stopped. I was following him, and my right had was already started when he stopped and bobbed his head back right into the blow. He was out for several minutes. It was the quickest change of a championship on record. Dal Hawkins knocked out Martin Flaherty at Carson the same way, only Dal used his left hook.

Walcott's Vicious Blows.

To come down to later fights, the one I had with Joe Walcott for the welterweight title was a hard one. Walcott is a vicious fighter with a fierce wallop. If he can land on you it's good-night. But I had studied Walcott's methods. I easily avoided his wild swings and met him with straight punches and short hooks as he came in. I won the fight, although the referee made it a draw.

Battling Nelson gave he a hard battle. I had Nelson's fighting down fine, for I trained oung Corbett to meet him and was in Corbett's corner in the fight. Nelson is the toughest man i nthe ring He can take a beating until the other fellow is worn out from punching him. When the other man's arms drop to his sides from exhaustion Nelson still has enough strength to put over a knockout. He can't hit hard at any time, but it is easy to finish a thoroughly exhausted man with any sort of a punch.

For about eight rounds I tried to put Nelson out. I had planned to do this until I began to feel a little tired. As soon as that time came I was going to shift my style. Nelson took all the beating and came up for more in a wonderful way. When I saw that he wouldn't go down to stay, I began making him do the work while I rested. I intended to make it a long fight, using Nelson's own tactics—barring the foul play. I would wear him down just as he wore others down, and when he finally became exhausted I would knock him out. I didn't care if it took all day and all night.

Nelson Always Fouls.

But Nelson, when he was becoming helpless, began fighting foul, and lost that way instead. I can't say whether he deliberately fouled me or not, but he truck foul blows and butted for many rounds before he was finally disqualified. Nelson is naturally a foul fighter. He doesn't think he is, but it is his natural style to butt. He's a human billy goat.

Terry McGovern was a grand little man. I don't care to say anything about our fight in Chicago. Poor Terry can't answer any statement I might make, so I'll just scratch that one. I did what Herford told me to do. Let it go at that.

I owe all my success in the ring to study. I have been the same weight for twelve years, and I haven't changed much physically. But I study other fighters all the time and am always learning. Every time I see a good man fight I go home and go to bed early. Then I lie propped up on the pillows. Through studying these things over all the time I can call up before my eyes a picture of the whole fight, round after round, and almost blow for blow. I bring up these mental pictures and study out every detail. I figure every move out—just how far a man moves in certain situations, just what directions, just how he hits and blocks when he is aggressive, and when inclined to be on the defense.

Then I figure out how to get him.

Gans' Last Battles.

Gans wrote this sketch of his fighting career during the winter of 1907. During the following year he began to go back. A life of loose living demanded its toll. He fought on New ear's day, 1908, with Kid Herman at Tonopah, Nev., and allowed the Chicago boy to stay eight rounds. He next took on Jimmy Britt on September 9 in San Francisco, Britt breaking his ulna bone and losing on a knockout in six rounds. On September 27 he won a twenty-round decision over George Memsic at Los Angeles.

In 1908 he took on Bart Blackburn and knocked him out in three rounds at Baltimore and Spike Robson at Philadelphia in the same time.

Rudy Unholz, the Boer counterfeit, was Gans' next victim at San Francisco on May 14 in eleven rounds.

Then Bat Nelson was given a return match and knocked out the old master at San Francisco in seventeen rounds. This was on July 4. Gans still thought he was the Dane's master and could stand the seige of training and reducing to 133 pounds ringside, but he had so far exhausted his vitality by the rigors of training after periods of careless living that his strength and stamina were gone, and on September 9 Battling again knocked him out, this time in twenty-one rounds, and the old master joined the long line of defeated champions.

He had just one more fight after this. With his health shattered he fought Jabez White, the Englishman, in New ork, in a ten-round no-decision bout. Gans had his cleverness with him and that was all. After this his health failed steadily. He opened a hotel in Baltimore, but his failing strength began to tell. He spent a small fortune in a search for renewed strength, but soon it became apparent that he was a victim of the white plague, and as a last resort went to Arizona last winter.

He hoped to return again to his old home in Baltimore but had made the change of climate too late, and when his physicians in Arizona told him he had only a few days to live he pleaded to be taken back to Baltimore to die at the home of his mother, and more dead than alive he was rushed across the continent, being kept alive by oxygen.

Gans made and wasted a number of fortunes, being an inveterate gambler. The biggest purse for which he ever fought was the $33,500 offered for his first fight with Nelson at Goldfield, but of this sum Gans received only $11,000, being forced to concede this division to get on the match with Nelson.

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WEST BADEN, IND.

Recently the West Baden base ball team played two games with the Dallas, Texas, team, winning both of them. They played eight games with other teams, namely, Plutas and Cincinnati Shamrocks. They gave the Plutas eggs two days. Score of the game of Aug 20:

		R.H.E.
Dallas	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0—4 4
West Baden	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2	*—2 6 3

Batteries—Dallas, Laundan and Henson; West Baden, Carson and O'Neal.

Double play, B. Taylor to Clark.

Score of game of Aug. 20:

		R.H.E.
Dallas	0 1 2 0 0 0 0 1	0—4 8 7
West Baden	0 1 2 0 0 0 2 3	*—8 6 6

Batteries—Dallas, Black and Henson; West Baden, B. Taylor and O'Neal.

The feature of the game was the batting of Garrett, the giant first sacked of the Dallas team. He certainly is some hitter, but he had a slump while here, only came to himself the last game, so they left the Springs for their home as the teams around this part was a bit tough for them.

Aug. 27 Dismuker started in to pitch for the Spradles, but was a bit wild and Captain Taylor, who had ptiched a shut-out game the day before against the hard hitting Plutas, took Dismuker's place in the box and held the Shamrocks hitless thereafter. Score:

		R.H.E.
Shamrocks	3 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0—4 4 3
Spradels	0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 1	1—3 5 6

Batteries—Snyder and Mayer; Dismuker, Taylor and O'Neal.

Aug. 28 Dismuker came back and pitched a shut-out game. This fellow had everything he needed that next day so he delivered the goods. The Shamrocks could not touch him. Home run by B. Taylor was the feature. Score:

		R.H.E.
Shamrocks	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0—0 3 3
West Baden	0 0 0 1 0 2 1 1	6—5 2 2

Batteries—Brown and Mayer; Dismuker and O'Neal.

Score of Aug. 29:

		R.H.E.
Shamrocks	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0—0 4 5
West Baden	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	1—1 7 2

Batteries— More and Mayer; B. Taylor and O'Neal.

Score of Aug. 30:

		R.H.E.
Shamrocks	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0—3 5 1
West Baden	1 0 0 0 1 2 0 0	*—4 8 0

Batteries—Anzaro and Mayer; Dismuker and O'Neal.

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BASEBALL AT EVERGREEN, KY.

The Montgomery Stars and the Evergreen Tigers played three of the most interesting games of the season. The Stars claim the championship of Alabama. The Tigers managed to take two games, first and last. Hill pitched in great form Wednesday, while "Bull" Smith's catching thrilled the spectators. Thursday a double header was played. "A. G." Smith opened the game for the Tigers. Wiggins opposed him. Four hits and two errors lost the Tigers six runs in the third inning. It was Smith's off day. He did not show up as in Louisville when with the Pensacola Giants. Wiggins pitched in style. Smith was taken out. Blackson stepped in and held the Stars down until the last inning when two scores were made. Darkness stopped the last game in the fifth inning. The feature of this game was a home run by "Tabby" Brown and the sensational base running of the "favorite child," Spears. Following is the score of the first game:

Tigers	0 0 0 0 0 0 4 0 0	1—5
Stars	2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0	0—4

Batteries—Tigers, Hill and "Bull" Smith; Stars, Hartley and Collins.

Second game:

Tigers	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2	1—3
Stars	2 0 6 0 0 0 0 1	1—10

Batteries—Tigers, "A." G." Smith and Blackson and "Bull" Smith; Stars, Wiggins and Cunningham.

Third game:

Tigers	2 1 1 0	0—4
Stars	0 0 0 1	0—1

Batteries—Tigers, Hill and Salter; Stars, Mink and Collins.

A REGULAR CIRCUIT FOR NEXT SEASON.

The Dixie Parks and the Alabama Giants played a series of games on Aug. 27 and 29. The games were played to a large crowd on the first date. Our boys took all games by the folowing scores, 11 to 1; 8 to 4 and 5 to 1. The local association will increase stock at the end of this season and there is some talk of having a regular circuit through this section of country. Mr. Clemmons would like to hear from some of the experts on organization. Send mail care Dixie Park Company.

BREAK EVEN.

Double Header Between West Badens and Louisville Cubs.

The West Badens and Louisville Cubs broke even on the double header Labor Day. Both games were interesting from start to finish. Watson, of the Cubs, played gilt-edge ball at third. Taylor, on first for the West Badens, is a second Frank Chance. Following is the score of the first game:

W. B.	0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0	2—4
L. C.	0 0 1 2 0 1 0 0	0—5
W. B.	2 1 2 0 1	0—6
L. C.	1 0 0 2 0	0—3

The Bell Company Stag Club was organized at the residence of Mr. Will Keene on Sept. 1: President, Will H. Lee; vice president, Judge Clarke; secretary, J. Palmer; treasurer, N. Ward; members, Bert Dodge and W. Keene.

AN ECHO OF RENO.

The Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures are being exhibited at Denver, Col. The headlines over an excellently written article in that well-conducted newspaper, the Denver Times, read as follows: "Jeff-Johnson pictures here. Films show ex-champion to have been outclassed in every stage of the game. White man not doped. Simply unable to hit Negro, who wore him down." The article then goes on to declare that the initial display convinced the audience of several things that heretofore have not been made clear to them by published accounts of the fight. The audience was a unit in decuaring that Jeffries was outclassed in every department of the game. He was outboxed, out-generaled, outslugged. His strength even was not equal to that of his dark antagonist.

And Jeffries was not doped if the moving pictures reproduced the scenes at Reno in anything like their natural performance. Jeffries was simply facing a man who was his superior in every department of the fight game. The real trouble was that Jeffries' famous rushes, his left jabs, his swings, his crouch and his rough work were ineffective against Johnson. The white man tried all of these and each failed of its object. Johnson had a way of meeting each new style of battle attempted by the boiler maker, and it was not to the advantage of Jeff, either. "His every blow," says The Times, "was either completely blocked or hindered in such a way as to eliminate any sting that it might have carried. The former champion was as active and as clever as any time in his career. He was light on his feet and ducked and dodged with remarkable agility for a big man, but all to no purpose."

So it seems that Jim was simply in for a good trimming, and he got it. It would have been much better for him to have taken his $100,000 and beating and to have admitted frankly that his dusky opponent was the better man physically. Jeffries' talk of being doped, of seeing double, of a dragging of the legs, has not helped his case. A correspondent of the Journal of the American Medical Association says that Jeffries' description of his own symptoms compel the medical profession to believe that he is suffering from an abhorred blood malady that has killed or marred more men than "war, pestilence and famine." The average man would prefer to have the reputation of being fairly beaten by a Negro than to have the world understand his failure to be due to this disease. Incidentally the pictures as yet have caused no race riots in Denver—From The Indianapolis Daily News.

MOBILE, ALA.

Dr. G. H. Wilkerson left the city on last Thursday to be in attendance at the B. M. C. of the G. U. O. O. F., which will hold their session in Baltimore, Md. He was elected delegate from several cities in the East before returning to his post of duty....Mr. James T. Peterson will be in attendance at the same meeting, representing his lodge. He will be out of the city for about thirty days.... The Hearts of Heart Hall has recently installed some new gas lights and general renovating on the inside and Mr. Trainer will be in readiness to rent the hall. Entertainments for the coming fall orders can be left at the drug store....The agent visited Crichton last month and the summer school, under the direction of Prof. C. W. Hill and Mrs. Mayme N. Williams, is doing very good work, to the advantage of the pupils and compliments of parents....Mrs. A. D. Simingten returned to the city last Sunday from St. Louis, Mo., where she has been visiting relatives and friends....Labor Day was observed in the usual manner, picnics and outings being indulged in to a great extent by various people....Cards are out announcing the marriage of Prof. W. E. Woodyard to Miss Rosa Johnson, of Edenton, N. C., during this month....Mr. Fulcher, the traveling salesman of the Hygeia Company, of Kansas City, Mo., was in Mobile last Thursday of the past week. This is one of the young men who is pushing goods for a colored house.... C. B. Paul has accepted a position in Montgomery, Ala., as the head of a horseshoeing department. Read The Freeman for news. Found at Gulf City drug store.

LAPORTE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart entertained informally Wednesday evening, August 31, at their home in honor of the approaching nuptials of Miss Gertrude Grace Samson and Rev. Mark Wallace Alexander. It was a musical feast, with Miss Hazel Harrison at the piano. A dainty repast was served, after which a very pleasant time was spent in conversation until a late hour. The guests present from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Cassino King, Mrs. Joseph Brent, Mrs. George Viene, Miss Mabel Gayton and Mrs. A. H. Brown, of Chicago; Mrs. E. P. Frances and Miss M. H. Green, from Mound Bayou, Miss....Mr. and Mrs. Robert Samson, Jr., entertained Thursday, Sept. 1, at a 1 o'clock luncheon, in honor of Miss G. Grace Samson and Rev. Mark W. Alexander....One of the prettiest events of the season took place last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Samson, Sr., on Maple avenue, when their daughter, Gertrude Grace, was united in marriage to Rev. Mark W. Alexander, of Lexington, Ky., pastor of the Congregational Church in that city. The Rev. Father Massiah, of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Chicago officiated. The impressive ring service was used. Mrs. Robert Samson, Jr., was maid of honor. Robert Samson, Jr., acted as best man. The bride wore a beautiful creation of white meteor crepe trimmed in real lace and carried a huge shower boquet of white roses. Her only ornament was a diamond brooch at the throat. The matron of honor was gowned in a white lace dress over chiffon and carried an arm boquet of white astors. Miss Hazel Harrison played the wedding march and wore a handsome white silk net dress with gold trimmings. The couple took the vows before a bank of palms and ferns. The house presented a charming appearance, being decorated with palms and ferns, pink and white carnations and astors, the color scheme of pink and white being prettily employed. An elegant three-course buffet luncheon was served by a caterer from Chicago. Rev. and Mrs. Alexander left for South Bend and a weeks' trip to other places. Upon their departure they were surrounded by their friends and showered with rice. Mr. and Mrs. Cassius King will entertain for the couple September 7 at their home in Chicago. The bride and groom received many beautiful and useful gifts from nearly every state in the Union. Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Cassius King, Mrs. D. Ward, Mrs. R. Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brent, Mrs. George Veine, Miss Mabel Gayton, Miss Gertrude Smith, Kemper Herrold, Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. James Gordon, Mrs. Sep Tate, Mrs. A. H. Brown and Mrs. W. S. Sparks, of Chicago; Mr and Mrs. E. A. Finley, of South Bend, Ind.; Miss Estelle Owen of Detroit and Mrs. E. P. Frances and Miss M. H. Green, of Mound Bayou, Miss..

ACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Henry Powers, of 456 S. Hardin avenue, entertained Septebmer 4 royally at an excellent dinner Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Davis, Mrs. Nora Gaines of Petersburg, Ill.; Mrs. Lida Birthet Mallory, of St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Effie Edwards and daughter, Ruth, of Joliet, Ill.; and Miss Nellie Early and Mr. Henry Powers. A delightful time was enjoyed by all present....Mrs. Laura Campbell left recently for her home in Paris, Mo....Word was received here recently by Mr. Daniel Tinsley of the death of his father at Ashley, Mo. Mr. Tinsley and son, Charley, left to attend the funeral....Carl Duncan, of Carrollton, Ill., left recently after a pleasant visit.... Mrs. Lucretia Hayden royally entertained at an excellent dinner recently Mrs. Alcenda Bryant and daughter, Mrs. W. M. Robinson....Word was received here recently of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart at St. Louis, Mo. She was a niece of Mrs. W. M. Boyd....Mrs. Nora Gaines of Petersburg, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Jacob Davis of 137 West Richard street....Mrs. Samuel McCalister, of West Marion street, is very ill....Miss Alberta O'Leary left for Wilburforce University to attend school....Mrs. Dollie Gates, who is a patient at Our Savior Hospital, is some better at this writing....Mrs. Elizabeth Miles of South Fayette street, is quite ill at her home. Her many friends hop for her a speedy recovery.... Mrs. Pauline Moore of South Fayette street delightfully entertained a few friends at an excellent breakfast September 4....Mrs. John Haithman royally entertained Mrs. Laura Campbell at breakfast September 4....Mrs. Simpson Handy, of West Marion street, is still very ill.... Among the sick are Mrs. M. Thomas, Mrs. Sophia Ward, Mrs. Ovenia Hyatt and Mrs. Carrie Williams. All are slowly improving....Mrs. Guy Washington has returned home from Des Moines, Iowa, after a very pleasant visit....Mrs. John McCree and daughter, Thora, have returned home from Tennessee after a pleasant visit....A very pleasant party was given recently at the home of Mrs. James Brown's, on West Anna street..Among those who attended the association at Decatur, Ill., were Rev. Mason and Rev. DeWitt....A very pleasant surprise party was given recently in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, at their home, 483 South Clay avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson received many useful presents. One of the most pleasantest times of the season was had by all present.

KNOXVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

One of the greatest events in the history of Knoxville will be the opening of the Appalachian Exposition....While in our city don't forget to attend the East Tennessee Negro Fair at Brewers' Park Sept. 19 to Oct. 12. Exhibits in all departments will surpass the wildest dreams of friends and visitors. Hundreds of dollars in cash prizes will be given away ....Dr. C. R. Wood, one of the many successful physicians of the city, was married to Miss Ida Warren last Wednesday evening....Over 50,000 colored people are expected to visit our city doing the Exposition....Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Bruce, of Wallace street, gave a stag party Friday evening, complimentary to their brother, Mr. Samuel Bayless of Phoenix, Ariz....Any news of interest will be received by Ethel C. Kennedy, 309 James street, for publication. Have all news items ready by Saturday afternoon.

ASHDOWN, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. A. S. Duncan returned on the 26th ult. from Pine Bluff, Ark., where he has been visiting his wife and baby....Rev. Wm. Cato had a great time at his church in Richmond, Ark., last Sunday the 28th ult——Mrs. Hannah Whitmore is on the sick list this wek....The many delegates who went from Little Bethel and Wilton, Ark., returned on the 29th from the S. S. Convention, just closed at Stamps, Ark. ....Rev. Wm. Cato and many delegates of Freeman's Chapel and his church at Richmond, Ark., are away this week attending the S. S. Convention at McNab, Ark., of the C. M. E. Church....Mr. Draper is one of the successful merchants of Tillette....Call at J. H. D. McCollin's store and get The Freeman. ....Mr. Austin Baker, of Denver, Col.; Miss Mary Wilson, of Texarkana, Ark.; Mrs. M. O. B. Cato, wife of Rev. Wm. Cato; Mr. A. L. Draper, and Miss Florence Brown, of Tollette, Ark., were recent callers at J. H. D. McCollin's store.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Word was received here recently of the death of German McCalister, who died at Paducah, Ky. He was the father of Roy McCalister....Mrs. L. A. Herendon has returned home from Peoria, Ill., and Chicago. Miss Annie Campbell is still very ill....The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Underwood of North Diamond street is some better at this writing....Mrs. Sophia Ward and Mrs. Ovenia Hyatt, who have been on the sick list, are improving....Miss Alberta O'Leary, who is ill at her home on West College avenue, is some better at this time....The services of the McCabe M. E. church were held at the court house, Aug. 28. Rev. Dr. McCarty of the Centenary church preached an able sermon....Rev. Mr. and Mrs. James Mason of this city and son Robert and daughter, Mrs. Lucy Burrill, of Chicago, Ill., were royally entertained at the home of Mrs. Duke on Fayette street....Company L has returned home from Peoria, Ill., where they had been in camp....Miss Cleota Hill left recently for a visit with friends in Louisiana, Mo...Mrs. Sarah Young and Miss Nettie Young have returned from Peoria, Ill., after a pleasant visit....Rev. Mrs. DeWitt and daughter Margaret have returned home from Tennessee after a pleasant visit. Mrs. James Brown and Mrs. Samuel Bolden have returned from the Niagara Falls. The entertainment given Aug. 27 was fairly well attended. It was at the home of Mrs. Mary Robinson....The entertainment given Aug. 23 at the Bethel A. M. E. church was largely attended and was a success.

MINEOLA, TEX.

The weather is very dry and hot here now and has been for some time....A. Shields has lost another daughter. He was lost three daughters in three weeks' time. Mrs. Dillie Shields has been sick, but she is now better....Miss Celia Denard, the daughter of Charles Denard, left for Gulfport, Miss., to visit her sister. Prof. Denard will leave soon for Nashville, Tenn. See Sandy Anderson for newspaper and don't fail....They had a lively time at the M. E. church this week and a large sum of money was raised....Cotton picking is now 60 cents per hundred and selling at 14 2-4 cents per pound this week....When you come to town go to the city well for water and hitch your teams where you can.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mrs. May Williams, who has been out of the city on a two months' vacation, is expected home about the first of the month. Dr. Bloom returned to the city last week after a month's vacation....The recital at St. James last week was attended by a large crowd. Rev. Grove reports a large sum taken at the door....Mrs. O. D. Howard and daughter Miss Olive spent last week in Detroit....It was sad indeed to learn of the death of Mr. Lucia, who was for many years the director of St. James choir. Mr. Cleary, who was called away to the bedside of his sick mother in Ripley, O., returned to the city last Sunday with the sad news of his mother's death....No word as yet has been had from Mrs. Rolling of University avenue as to her sick mother, to whose bedside she was called three weeks ago....Mrs. Lucy Watson of Keokuk, Ia., has moved here to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Sherwood, 224 Granite street. Mr. Allen French, Jr., who was injured last Sunday week on his motorcycle, is able to be up and about his work again....Hurrah! The St. Paul Gophers are going to get another crack at the Chicago Giants next month. Let us hope that they win back their lost championship....All you colored athletes and has beens, keep your eyes open for the field day which Mr. Irvan Williams is going to pull off next month at the downtown ball park....Do you get The Freeman each week from Henry Crawford? If not, why not? His call is Daly 1952, address 525 Rondo street.

WILL HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

BALTIMORE, Md.—A public memorial service for Joe Gans, the former lightweight champion, was held at Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday evening, Aug. 11. The services were under the auspices of Hannibal Lodge of Knights of Pythias and Monumen[illegible] Lodge of Elks, to which societies the [illegible] pugilist belonged. Addresses were delivered by J. Frank Wheaton, of New York, grand exalted ruler of the Elks of the World; George A. Watty, grand chancellor of the Maryland Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias; Robert G. I. Brown, exalted ruler of Monumental Lodge of Elks, and Councilman Harry S. Cummings. A monument is on foot among Gans' friends to have a life-size bust made from his death mask.

DAYTON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Helen Louise Wilborn, of Springfield, O., spent an enjoyable summer with Miss Rominia Payne....Miss Florida Hayden visited her parents in Bedford City, Va....The Missionary Ladies of Mt. Olive Baptist church, Washington street, were entertained by the president.

THE FREEMAN

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Dr. Joseph H. Ward has purchased a new automobile.

Mr. Juan Maraufo, of Chicago, spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. Dan Allen wil attend the Lexington Fair next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen, of Peoria, are visiting in the city.

Dr. H. W. Armistead has removed his office to 535 Massachusetts avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hawkins, of Washington, Ind., are at the Wilkerson Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. James Duncan were the guests of friends at Louisville last Monday.

Mrs. Frances Simpson was the guest of friends and relatives in Kentucky last week.

Evening song and prayer service at St. Philip's Episcopal Church Sunday at 3:45.

Mr. William Chrisman, of St. Paul, was the guest of friends in this city during the week.

Theodore Cable will appear in complimentary violin recital a t Simpson Chapel, Sept. 23.

Mr. Joseph S. Shreeves and Major T. R. Van Pelt, of Chicago, were visitors in the city this week.

Mrs. Ed Clark, of Terre Haute, and daughter, Agnes, were the guests of Mrs. Maude Beatty this week.

Mrs. Millie Alexander, the hair and beauty culturist, is improving from the effect of an injured foot.

Mr. Russell Smith, the musician, who has been spending the season at Culver, Ind., has returned to the city.

George W. Hines, instructor in Washington University, Kansas City, Kan., was in the city last Thursday on business.

Mrs. W. Norman Curry returned Tuesday from a visit with friends at New York City, Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Young, of St. Louis, attended the wedding of Mrs. Maude Bass Beatty to Mr. James Wilson, Thursday day night.

Mr. Frank W. Cook, letter carier, of Memphis, Tenn., was in the city last week visiting his brother and other relatives and friends.

Miss Lucile Thompson, of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hammond, in Fayette street. Her stay is indefinite.

Mrs. Delia Cameron, of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of Madam McNairde, in Senate avenue, last week. She is now visiting friends in Chicago.

Mr. Ernest G. Tidrington, of Evansville, Ind., Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Indiana, was in the city Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Hodge are at home to friends at 1123 North West street. Mrs. Hodge was Miss Janie Parish, of Boston, Mass. The marriage took place at her home at Boston, Aug. 15.

Miss Ella Goodall, of New York City, came to the city last week to attend the bedside of her brother, William Goodall. She accompanied the body of Mr. Goodall to Gallitin, Tenn., where he was buried.

John Taylor, of 1130 Carter street, entertained at dinner Sunday a number of friends in honor of his sister, Mrs. Lena Rice, of Chicago, Ill., and father, Gilbert Taylor, of Marion, Ind. Covers were laid for twelve.

Mrs. Zelma B. Frisby, of 1130 Carter street, entertained Sunday at dinner Mrs. Wm. Dickerson and her mother, Mrs. Brown, in honor of Mrs. Rice, of Chicago, and Mrs. Taylor, of Marion, Ind. Covers were laid for twelve.

John L. Thompson, of the executive department, Des Moines, Iowa, will be in the city Monday on his way to Lexington, Ky., bearing to that city a communication of the Des Moines City Commission plan of government.

George L. Embrey, of Bruceville, Nnd., a farmer, drove into the city this week from his home in his $1,500 automobile. Mr. Embrey makes a specialty of watermelons, having about 60 acres. Mr. Embrey has about 1,600 acres in all.

Mr. George Slaughter, representing The Freeman, has returned from St. Louis on account of serious trouble with his eyes. Mr. Slaughter is very grateful eyes. Mr. Slaughter is very grateful to the people of St. Louis and Lovejoy for their patronage.

Mrs. Katie Hudson, at 1411 North West street, entertained last evening in honor of Miss Clara Gibbs of Cleveland, Ohio. Those present were: Maggie Hoskins, Cannie Graves, Fannie Martin, Bessie Bledsoe, Zora Mathis, Alma Batson, Mrs. Moore, Miss Clara B. Neil.

Mr. French Brown, of Flemingsburg, Ky., is the guest of his nephew and niece, Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Tate, D.D., 616 West Tenth street. Mr. Brown was a soldier in the Civil War. He was a member of Company E, One Hundred and Seventh United States Colored Troops of Kentucky. He was shot and wounded at Appomatox Court House at the surrender of Robert E. Lee in 1865.

SIMPSON CHAPEL M. E. CHURCH.

The pulpit og this church will be filled by ministers from the annual conference of the A. M. E. Church at Allen Chapel, Sunday, Sept. 11. There will be baptizing of all candidates by Rev. H. W. Tate, D.D., the third Sunday at 11 a. m. A sermon on "Christian Baptism" will be preached by the pastor.

MRS. CHARLES W. AND MISS JULIA A. BROWN ENTERTAIN.

Mrs. Charles W. Brown and daughter, Miss Julia, entertained Monday afternoon at their home in North West street, with a kitchen shower for Mrs. Maude Bass Beatty, whose marriage to Mr. James Wilson took place Thursday evening. Musical numbers were given by Mrs. T. A. Smythe, Miss Addie Thornton, Mrs. Edwin Stokes and Mrs. Maude Beatty, with Mr. Russell Smith at the piano. The out of town guests were Mrs. Ada Bagby Ford, of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Marie Young, of St. Louis, Mo.

JONES TABERNACLE A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

Rev. H. J. Callis, Pastor.

The last Sudnay services before the annual conference. Early prayer meeting, 5:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Sunday school, 12:45 p. m. Dr. B. J. Prince, D.D., M.D., the popular pastor of the Second Baptist Church, of this city, will preach at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Special music will be furnished by the choir for this service. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. The morning and evening services will be supplied with preachers from the A. M. E. Annual Conference now in session at Allen Chapel. All of the members and friends are earnestly requested to be present at all of the services, and to give as liberally as possible. Members who have not paid their general fund must do so before Tuesday if they desire to retain their membership in the church. The Deaconess Board will serve lunch at the close of the morning service.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The organization for the fall and winter activitie sof the colored work is now going on, the men who will be on committees and are expected to do things are being lined up, and put in shape. Each department of the work will be in direct supervision of a committee whose business will be to push the work in their departments, this together with the incentive of the building campaign in the spring is expected to create the greatest fall and winter season ever conducted in the Tssociation. The need of more room is giving the committee of management a great deal of concern, as there are many things that should be taken, but cannot on account of lack of room.

The committee of management have decided to have the membership fee for twelve months to be $2. This includes gymnasium and bath privileges. Each man joining the Association gets a full membership for twelve months, no matter when he joins.

Regular class work will begin the latter part of this month.

TAVERN CLUB ENTERTAINS.

At the Waiters' Club Rooms on Last Tuesday.

One of the finest entertainments of the season was that given in the Waiters' Club rooms in Indiana avenue Tuesday evening, Aug. 30, under the auspices of the Tavern Club, one of the best organizations in social lines of the city. The stairway was "charmingly adorned with a mass of golden glow," while the hall was decorated with palms and ferns and clusters of yellow blossoms, with Japanese lanterns. Overhead in the dining room and parlor were decorations of the most pretentious kind. Many fine gowns were worn by the ladies. Claret punch and mint were served. Music was furnished by Prof. Tneodore Elli's Orchestra. Each lady was presented a handsome souvenir. The president and his committee took great pains to see that everyone was promptly and politely served. The Waiters' Club is said to be one of the swellest clubs west of New York.

The Tavern Club will entertain once a month. The membership is as follows: Warren Priesty, Herbert Henderson, Fred Augusta, Daniel Brown, Augustus Hutchinson, Charles Brown, Robert Walker, Harry Stephens, Robert Shirley, James Newman, George Greer, Herman Bishop, Richard Shaw and William Dunigan.

FRAU FRAU CLUB ENTERTAINED WITH SUNSHINE SHOWER.

The Frau Frau Club was hostess to forty guests Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stella Hatch in Camp street, at a sunshine and miscellaneous shower for Mrs. Maude Bass Beatty. The sunshine feature was very beautiful and appropriate. A large heart-shaped yellow silk bag, with yellow streamers, was made by the bride elect. Each guest made a small heart out of the same material; on a slip of paper each one wrote a "sunshine message," signing their names and enclosing the message in the heart.

These forty hearts were placed in the large yellow heart-shaped bag, which will be suspended from one side of the dresser in the bride's apartment. Whenever there is a "blue" day she is to open one of these "hearts," read the message and be happy, placing it in the companion "heart" of blue on the opposite side of the dresser. At the next meeting of the club the members will be allowed to read all the opened "sunshine" messages, if any. The affair was one of the prettiest given by any organization.

WILSON-BEATTY.

At 8:30 Thursday evening, the marriage of Mr. James H. Wilson and Mrs. Maude Bass Beautty was solemnized in the presence of about one hundred and fifty guests, by the Rev. Emanuel Stokes, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Norman Curry, in North West street. The bride was handsomely gowned in a pretty creation of baby Irish lace and net fashioned with overskirt with girdle of white satin. She wore white slippers and carried white roses. Miss Marie V. Young, of St. Louis, was maid of honor, and wore a pretty dress of old rose silk, with gloves and slippers of the same color, and carried white roses.

Mrs. W. Norman Curry, dressed in a white lace gown, carrying white carnations, gave the bride away. Little Jacquis Beatty and Sardonia Byrd, dressed in all white were ribbon bearers. Mr. Claude Bass was best man. The wedding march and music during the ceremony was rendered by Miss Addie Thornton at the piano and Mr. Theodore Cable on the violin.

The decorations were pink, white and green throughout the house, palms and pink astors. The bride's table held a large basket of pink astors and ribbon suspended from the chandeliers to each corner of the table, making a very pretty picture.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Mary Woolen, of Anderson; Mrs. Millie Tate, of Marion; Mrs. Ollie Rhodes, of Ft. Wayne; Mrs. Virgil Pumphrey, of Chicago, and Mr. Chester Harmonds, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Norman Curry, and by her charming personality has made many friends. She is a musician and gained an enviable reputation as the leading soprano of Carter's Concert Company a few seasons ago, and has rendered much service in the choir of Bethel A. M. E. Church.

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion county, ss.:
In the Superior Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana.
No. 81448.
Complaint for divorce.
Amy Ealy vs. Jordon Ealy.

Be it known, that on the 26th day of August, 1910, the above named plaintiff, by her attorneys, filed in the office of the clerk of the Superior court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, complaint against the above named defendant, Jordan Ealy, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Jordan Ealy, is not a resident of the State of Indiana, and said cause is for divorce and said defendant is a necessary party there, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 1st day of November, 1910.

Now therefore, by order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 1st day of November, 1910, the same being the 26th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in October, 1910, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in his absence.

LEONARD M. QUILL, Clerk.
J. H. LOTT, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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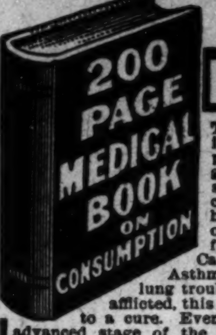

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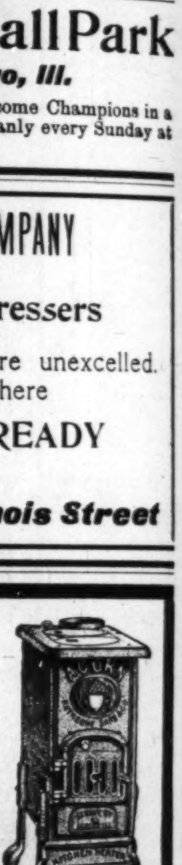

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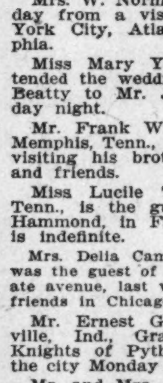

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A Glance on the Progress of Evansville, Ind.

IN THE POCKET!

The Bright Side of Evansville, Ind., Showing Some of its Strongest Colored Citizens and their Part in its Movements.

Evansville, Ind.—The Crescet City is in the "Pocket" of the Hoosier State, and is situated on the beatiful Ohio River, and is the second city in Indiana. It is a beautiful city, being noted for its elegant homes and variety of its manufacturing establishments. Evansville has a population of about 75,000, the United States census report to the contrary notwithstanding. About 10,000 of its people are Negroes.

There are in Evansville a goodly number of colored people that believe in progress and who are contributing their quota to the solid advancement of the city. Within the last ten years scores of Negroes have built elegant and up-to-date homes, and the desire to own good homes is on the increase.

It has been said, and we do not doubt it, that Negroes are naturally religious. At any rate, the Negroes of Evansville are not behind other communities in providing places of worship, which are well attended, as a rule. There are not less than a dozen colored churches representing the different denominations. The church edifices, for the most part, are substantial buildings of pleasing architecture and representing an outlay of many thousands of dollars. There is one thing of which the Negroes of Evansville are especially proud, and that is their public schools. There are four Negro school buildings under the management of 30 teachers. The oldest and largest colored school is "Old Governor." This school has about 600 pupils, and its principal is Mr. P. T. Miller, who is regarded as a school man who knows his business, and is determined to push the pupils forward in the best possible manner.

The Clark High School is the second largest school for Negroes. The Clark school graduates pupils from two courses —Latin and Industrial. The graduating classes number from ten to fifteen pupils a year. Mr. R. L. Yancey is the efficient principal of the school.

Third and Twelfth Avenue schools are under the able management of their supervising principal, Mr. J. D. Cox. Mr. Cox is a product of the Evansville schools, and is regarded as a most competent school man.

The colored people hold Major A. C. Rosencranz in high esteen for his liberality toward them in giving of his means to aid colored organizations that are striving to help elevate the race. The Major's magnificent gift to the colored branch Y. M. C. A. stands without a parallel in the history of Evansville as a gift from a white man to the colored people.

Evansville boasts of having three medical doctors that stand high in their profession. They are well-educated men, and enjoy a lucrative practice. They own considerable property outside of elegant, well-furnished homes. Among the other professional men are miinsters of long and varied experiences, in administering to the spiritual needs of the Negro community. The ministers rank with the best anywhere.

Evansville's teachers are men and women abreast of the times, and rank with the best, white or black, anywhere. In Evansville, there is one of the brainiest, business-like Negro lawyers that ever opened a law book.

In business, the Negroes of Evansville are fast forging to the front. Among the flourishing businesses may be mentioned the following: Real estate, loan and insurance companies; second-hand furniture, stoves, etc.; the most complete and largest undertaking establishment in Indiana; up-to-date grocery stores, the largest general hauling and transfer company in Indiana; barber shops, restaurants. The Negroes of Evansville are justly proud of the best equipped Y. M. C. A. for colored men in Indiana.

Taking it on the whole, Evansville is not afraid of the comparison of herself with any city of her size, and compares favorably with any city in intellectuality, wealth an dmorals of its citizens.

GEO. C. JACKSON.

Mr. Geo. C. Jackson, secretary of the Colored Y. M. C. A., was born in Springfield, O., in 1884, where he was educated, graduating from the high school at the age of 18. Early in his life young Jackson showed a fondness for athletics, and was the star player in all of the games among the boys, white and colored, of his school. He early connected himself with the church and church work, and has the honor and distinction of being the youngest member on the church board of stewards, and acted as secretary of the conference held

in Sprinfield about ten years ago. He was secretary of the Colored Y. M. C. A. in Springfield for nearly two years, during which time he was instrumental in building up the best gymnasium in the country owned by colored men. Mr. Jackson is of a genial, sympathetic, straightforward, business makeup, which makes him a strong man in the work that he is engaged in, and, too, his knowledge of athletics makes him a very good all-around Y. M. C. A. man.

After once meeting Mr. Jackson one seems never to forget the hearty welcome he received, whether at the association building or elsewhere. He has the power to lead men, a very necessary quality of one's personality to insure success in his work. Mr. Jackson became secretary of the local branch, Y. M. C. A., in March, 1910, and has proven himself a man of fine qualities and sterling worth. He is ever willing and ready to assist in the work of building up men, and the kingdom of Righteousness.

Mr. Jackson is rapidly pushing forward toward prominence, and although a comparatively young man we believe that he is destined to become one of the leaders of the Negro race.

JORDAN HARLAN.

Jordan Harlan was born in Nashville, Tenn., in 1864, and was reared there. He left Nashville in 1893 and came to Evans-

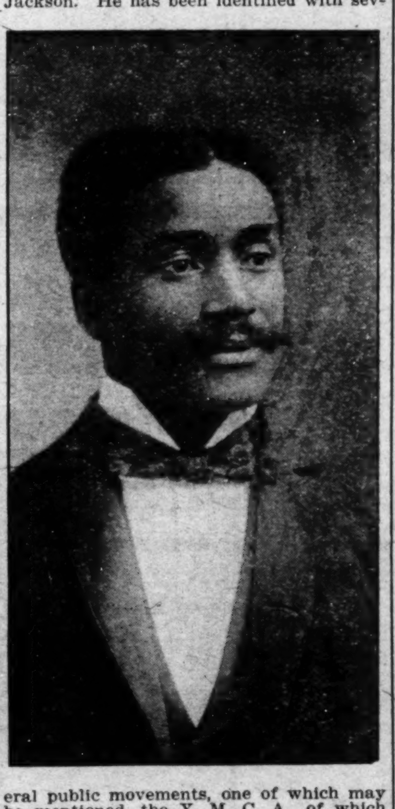
ville and began work as a porter in a saloon. He continued at this for nine years, but being a man who is a close observer, and having the ambition to possess much of the "filthy lucre," he left off portering and went into the saloon business for himself. By his quiet, unassuming and business habits he has amassed a fortune for himself, and is known to be a "mixologist" of no small repute.

Mr. Harlan has been in business at 423 Upper Fourth street for ten years. He believes that even a saloon can be conducted respectably and decently, and he sees to it that passers-by shall not hear profane and vulgar language that one often hears emanating from such places.

Mr. Harlan married Miss Rebecca Kelly, of Nashville, 20 years ago, and as a result of the union they have a lovely and talented little daughter, Lulu Mae, who performs amazingly well on the piano for a child. He is a member of the U. B. of F., and K. of P. lodges. Mr. Harlan does not own any real estate, but he certainly has the "gold" that could easily be turned into it.

DR. JEREMIAH JACKSON.

A community in which the best business and professional men take part in large public movements for the general improvement of the people, is a good place to live. No man in Evansville has a larger heart, more public spirit and willingness to help in good causes than Dr. Jackson. He has been identified with sev-



eral public movements, one of which may be mentioned, the Y. M. C. A., of which he was the first secretary in this city. Its beginning is largely due to his efforts. He is a native of Indiana, and a graduate of the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis. For more than eight years he has followed his profession, having practiced in Marion, Ind., two years. About three years ago he moved back to Evansville, and is building up a fine and lucrative practice.

EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION CELEBRATION AT EVANSVILLE, SEPTEMBER 22, 1910.

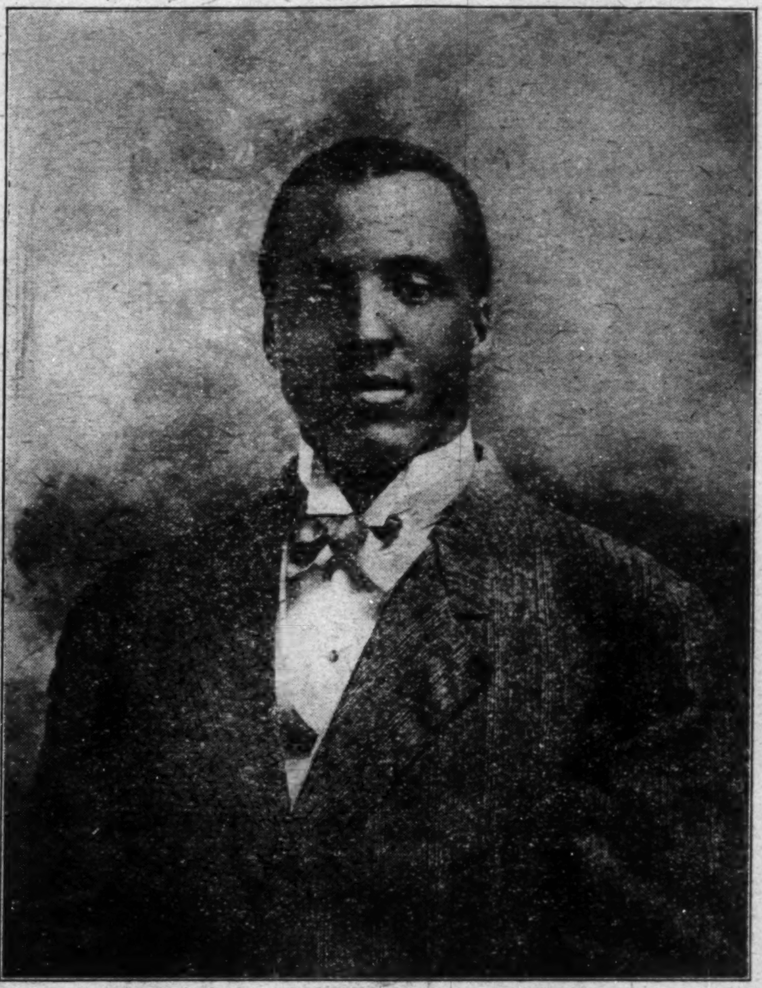
The colored branch, Y. M. C. A., is preparing to celebrate the Emancipation Proclamation of the immortal Lincoln at Evansville. There will be a grand parade composed of the colored organizations of the city.

Hon. H. Francis Jones, LL.B., an orator and an advanced thinker, a man who does things, will speak.

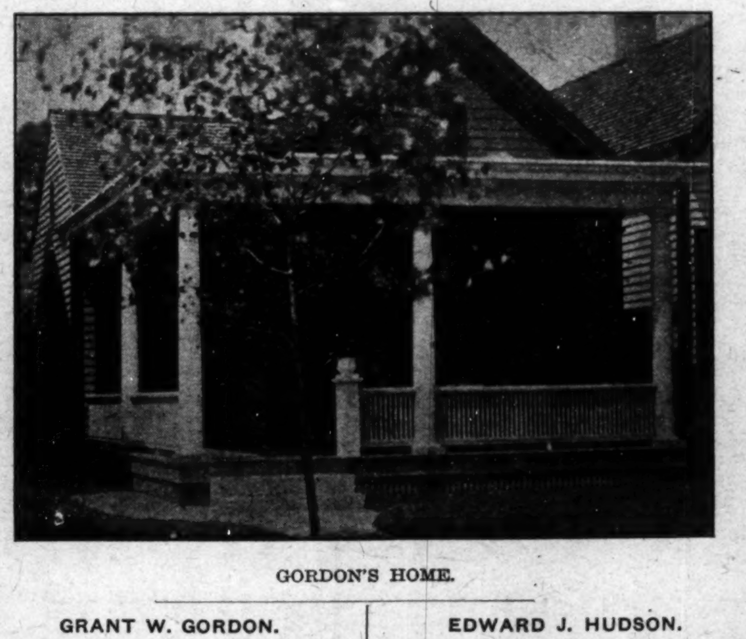
The committee on arrangements has secured many novel features along the line of entertainment. Thousands of people from towns near in Illinois and Kentucky are expected. Bands of music! Crowds of people! Get in line! Follow the crowd!

JOHN H. WILSON.

Mr. Wilson is the only colored member of the Vanderburgh county bar. He attended the public schools of Washington, D. C., graduating with honors from the Armstrong Manual Training School in 1904. In the fall of the same year he entered Howard University Law School, from which he graduated in 1907. He passed the District of Columbia bar examination the same year and practiced before the District of Columbia bar for of defective pleadings. He has purchased a pretty cottage in a suburb called Oakdale, a ten minutes' drive to his office that he makes in his own horse and buggy. His office is furnished in modern style and equipped with necessary legal paraphernalia, including a good working library. Last month Attorney Wilson was elected to deliver the address of welcome to the bishops and officers composing the connectional conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church of America. He was introduced by Bishop Blackwell and was greeted with applause throughout his



a short while. Seized with the idea that "Westward the course of Empire takes its way," he traveled with a Dunbar recital in the principal Eastern cities in search of a suitable field to practice. During his last year in the training school he was captain of the prize-winning company. The attorney enjoys a lucrative practice, covering a broad field. He has been called into Kentucky and Illinois on several cases and frequently goes into adjoining counties. He has had many criminal cases favorably decided on the ground speech. He is a member and Sunday school teacher in the Methodist church, member of two secret organizations, captain of the Uniform Rank, K. of P., and a member of the board of directors of the Colored Y. M. C. A. When introduced by Professor Cox on one occasion, Professor Cox styled him "The Thunderbolt of Southern Indiana and Divorce King." On June 9 he went to Washington, D. C., and married Miss Evely Reid. He has recently joined the National Negro Business League.



GORDON'S HOME.

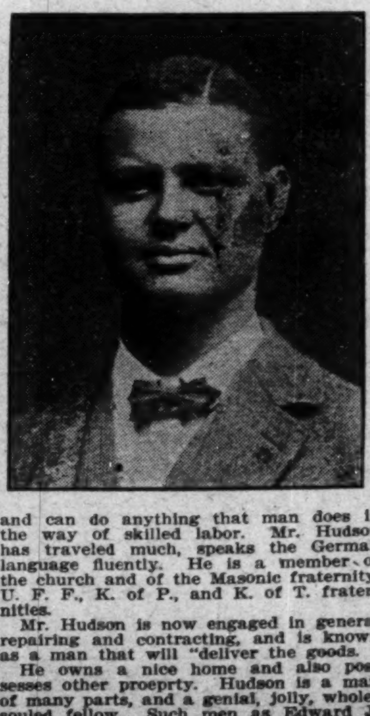
GRANT W. GORDON.

Mr. Gordon is one of the very few really fine barbers. He has followed the art for over 15 years. When he first came to Evansville, while yet a small boy, he found work as porter in his uncle's shop. He was always faithful and trustworthy in whatever task he undertook. He was

an especially thrifty sort of a fellow, and could always make his way even where others would fail. After his uncle left he found work in the hotel shop. About eight years ago he bought the shop he now runs. It is one of the best equipped shops in Evansville, having all the latest improvements. He runs five chairs and keeps five good artists busy all the time. He also owns his home, the cut of which is in this issue, and some other good pieces of city property.

EDWARD J. HUDSON.

One of the geniuses among the Negroes of Evansville is the subject of this sketch. He was born in Evansville in 1868, and received his education in the city schools. "Ed" is an all-round man, has a brain that is very active. He is a plumber, painter, electrician, brick mason, plasterer, and things too numerous to mention. He is truly a genius,



and can do anything that man does in the way of skilled labor. Mr. Hudson has traveled much, speaks the German language fluently. He is a member of the church and of the Masonic fraternity, U. F. F., K. of P., and K. of T. fraternities.

Mr. Hudson is now engaged in general repairing and contracting, and is known as a man that will "deliver the goods.

He owns a nice home and also possesses other proeprty. Hudson is a man of many parts, and a genial, jolly, whole-souled fellow. Such men as Edward J. Hudson do honor to the community in which they live.

JAMES G. GREEN,

P. G. M. of U. B. F. and A. M. of Indiana.

Mr. Green came to Evansville when a very small boy, from Kentucky, his native state. He lived with his parents until they died. He was compelled to depend largely upon himself since his youth; hence he early learned the lessons the world has for a young man who proposes to make something of himself. He early began work on a steamboat, and worked at that and barbering on the boat until about 15 years ago, when he opened up a barber shop for himself in Evansville. Five years ago he took with him as partner Mr. W. C. Belcher. The firm is now Green & Belcher. They run the best shop for colored custom in the city. Mr. Green has for many years been one of the most conspicuous factors in fraternity circles in the state, having held a number of very high offices, one of which was the State Grand Mastership of the U. B. F. & S. M. T. of Indiana for six years. He declined against the will of his host of friends to accept the place another year. He has brought the order up to a place of very high standing, for when he came to its head it owned not a foot of property,

but now there are nine halls in Indiana owned by his order. Under his administration the membership and wealth of the order has increased considerably. He is also a member of the K. of P., a member of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A., and trustee of the McFarland Chapel. Mr. Green owns a pretty home and several pieces of valuable property in the city, all of which is entirely unincumbered. Mr. Green has the good fortune to have a wife who is indeed a helpmeet for him. She was Miss Josie Reed, of Evansville, who was a favorite among her friends, and who is now a fine mother and wife.

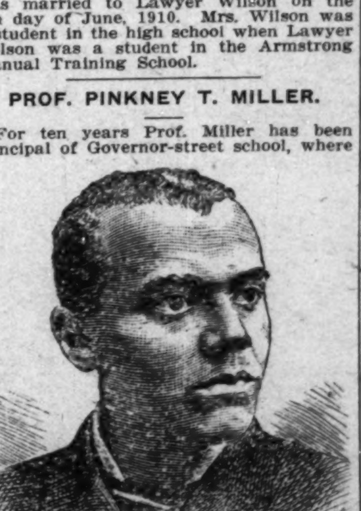
MRS. EVELYN WILSOM.

Mrs. Evelyn Wilson, nee Reid, is a graduate of the Washington High School, '06, and Washington Normal School, '08. After her graduation she taught one year in Cape May City, New Jersey, and one season in Gainesville, Va., and was about to sign a contract for another term when

Attorney Wilson objected. Mrs. Wilson's parents reside in Anacostia, D. C. She was married to Lawyer Wilson on the 9th day of June, 1910. Mrs. Wilson was a student in the high school when Lawyer Wilson was a student in the Armstrong Manual Training School.

PROF. PINKNEY T. MILLER.

For ten years Prof. Miller has been principal of Governor-street school, where



he once sat as pupil when a boy. He is now supervising principal of his building, which contains ten rooms. He came to Evansville when a small boy. Through his great personal force and energy he pusched his way up, having received a good training in educational matters. He was the first colored graduate of the Normal College of Delaware, Ohio. He also took special courses in two or three other institutions. He is a fine pen artist, having taken special course in that line, and was awarded a prize for fine work. He has taught altogether in Evansville 22 years. He was for one year principal of one of the schools in Indianapolis. Sixteen years ago he married Miss Lillie B. London, of Evansville, one of the best primary teachers in the schools. Prof. Miller is a member and active worker in the Baptist church.

He is a member of the Boar dof Directors of the Y. M. C. A., and the instructor of the Bible class of that organization. He is also an officer in his church and one of the teachers of the Sunday school.

REV. WM. H. FERGUSON.

Cincinnati, O., is the birthplace of one of Evansville's oldest teachers, and one of its younger ministers. In 1867, William H. Ferguson was born, and early began his education. He graduated from the famous Gaines High School, whose principel was Prof. Peter H. Clark, a renowned educator of our race. After he completed his education, Mr. Ferguson bega nhis career in Missouri, where he was shown that he could succeed as a teacher, and after teaching two years in Missouri, a year in Illinois and two years in Kentucky, he came to Evansville in 1892, where he has taught continuously since. Mr. Ferguson was principal of the West End School for several years, and then of the Tennessee Street school until it was discontinued. At present he is the teacher of the sixth year grade in Governor school, where he particularly distinguishes himself in teaching music and physical culture. It is said that he has few, if any, equals, and no superiors along these lines.

Rev. Ferguson is pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, which he built from a small mission. He has held offices, high, in the church over the state. He has an interesting family of seven children. Both Mr. Ferguson and his wife, who was Miss Ida M. Kyte, of Cincinnati, O.,

are musical, and their children inherit the love of and ability in musical studies.

Rev. Ferguson is a man who believes in a high moral, Christian ministry, and yet, he is broad and liberal in his views. He has little sympathy wth the goody-good, straning-at-a-gnat class of church people.

REV. JOEL C. CARSON.

Rev. Joel C. Carson was born at Bogue Chitto, Ala., June 19, 1881, where educational opportunities were poor. At 16 he left home and began to try the world for himself. At 18 he entered Meridian Academy, Meridian, Miss. For two years he made two grades a year. In the autumn of 1903 he came north to Madison, Ind., and took private lessons under Dr. J. L. Wilson. In the spring of 1904 he applied at the Denison Hotel, Indianapolis, for a position as waiter. Mr. G. L. Knox advised him to go back south to school. In the autumn of the same year he entered Gammon Theological Seminary. In 1907 he graduated with honors, and married the same day to Miss Josie Combs, who had finished Normal at Clarke University two years previous. He came to Evansville the next day and began work as pastor of the Bland Avenue

M. E. church. To them was born a son in 1908. Two weeks later the wife died, leaving husband and son to mourn. Since Rev. Carson has been pastor in Evansville, the church has paid for a new corner lot for a new church building, at a cost of $1,000. They have for building purposes $500 at present. This is his fourth year as pastor. He is also the president of the Colored Ministers' Alliance. He has a bright future.

NAVASOTA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Marie Tompkins of Hempstead, Tex., was a visitor to our city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Henson....Miss Mamie Robie of Houston is the guest of Miss Ernestine Constant for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson of Houston spent several days in our city last week. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks of Houston also spent a few days with Mrs. W. M. Turner....Master Willie Washington arrived from Houston last Saturday....The Navasota colored high school was destroyed by fire last Saturday. The origin of the fire is unknown....Quite a number of our Navasota young folks left for a big baptizing at Courtney last Sunday....Several delegates have returned from the District Conference of the M. E. church at Renham, Tex....Wanted, 100 or more readers for The Freeman. See Robt. Neal, agent.

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

Is the largest of the colored churches of Evansville, with a membership of about 1,200. It is on the corner of Seventh and Oak. It was organized May 1, 1865, with Rev. Green McFarland as its first pastor. Twenty-four years ago the building was destroyed by a cyclone, but Rev. Rouse, its present pastor, rebuilt it at a cost of $18,000. The present deacons are Erasmus Barnett, Prof. J. D. Cox, and Financial Secretary Jewel Walker, Robert Bridgeforth, Frank James, Moses Edmond, Walter Belcher and Henry Bell.

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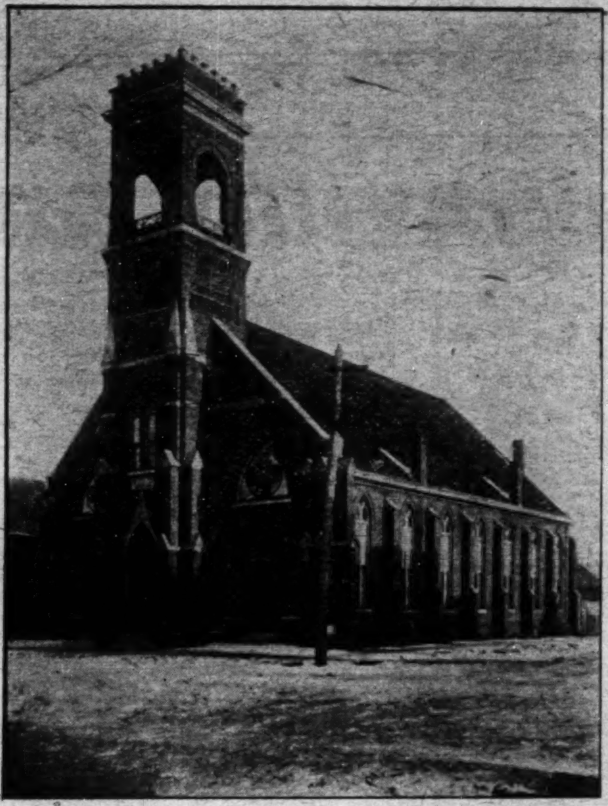

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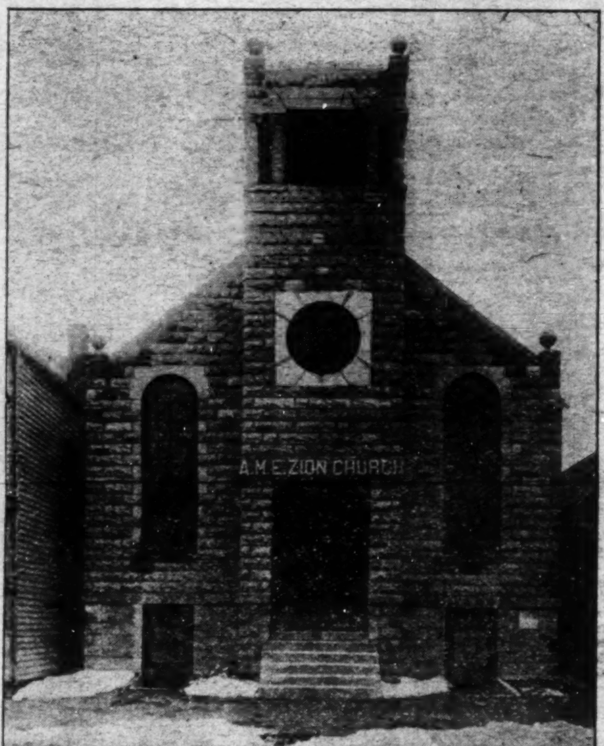
This church was established in 1886. A beautiful new cement block building was completed last year at a cost of $5,000. The membership is now something over 200. The Connectional Council of America was held here during the first week of August, this year, at which were a score or more of bishops and other celebrities.

The present pastor is Rev. Dr. H. M. Mickens, who is one of the few really educated ministers of our race.

He is a young man, but of great accomplishments, and who will some day be called to the "Bishop's Throne."

The membership of this church are very good workers, led by such energetic men and women as Aaron Anderson, Fred Hite, Sport Wiggins, William Jackson, Lee Pursley, Jerry Cook, John Watson, Mrs. Fanny Benson, Georgia Wallace, Nora Jackson, Dolly Cook and others.



YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING.

HARRY D. SMITH.

Mr. H. D. Smith, "Hal" Smith, as his friends familiarly call him, was born at Golconda, Ill., in 1864. Being of a musical and dramatic turn of mind, young Smith naturally took to the show business, and traveled four years with the Coon Hollow minstrels, and the Marris Comedy Company, of New York. To say that "Hal" "made good" is not overstating it, for his ability as a fun-maker is a well established fact. Mr. Smith has lived in Evansville for 25 years, where he maintains a nicely furnished home presided over by his mother, his wife having died eight years ago.

Mr. Smith is one of the progressive men of our race, and is prominently identified with some of the race's institutions, such as the K. of P. and U. R. K. T., and the Y. M. C. A. He was among the first to join in the move to organize the Y. M. C. A. and is an officer and the organist of the same. Mr. Smith is at present one of the trusted employees of the Strouse & Bro.'s clothing house. He is a member of the McFarland Chapel. He is a photographer, and although young in the business, he makes elegant pictures. "Hal" is a fine fellow to know.

JAS. T. ROBERTS.

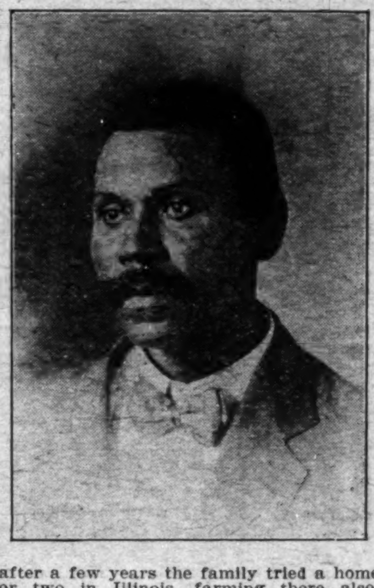
A smile that does not come off is to be seen on the face of genial Jas. T. Roberts, the "smoothest" young business man in the city. "Jim," as he is familiarly known, was born in Henderson, Ky., in 1878, but was reared in Evansville, where he was educated in the public schools. Mr. Roberts possesses real hustling and business qualities. He was bailiff in the sheriff's office and was appointed to a place in the State Legislature. Whether in politics or business he carries his smile and plenty of "git, grit and gumption" into his work. Mr. Roberts was married to Miss Bessie Stewart, of Terre Haute, in 1903, and has three interestin gchildren. He is a member and officer of McFarland Chapel Baptist church. He owns a good farm at Lost Creek, Vigo county, Indiana; is a member of the K. of P. lodge, and is the proprietor of a large second-hand furniture store, and household goods establishment.

In Mr. Roberts we have an example of what is possible for a young man who has the courage and will power to get

right down to the brass-head tacks in something that is worth while, and make it go. Roberts is a success, and we point him out to the young men of Evansville and say: "'Git' Jim's Gran and Grit, and 'Git' there."

HENRY BELL.

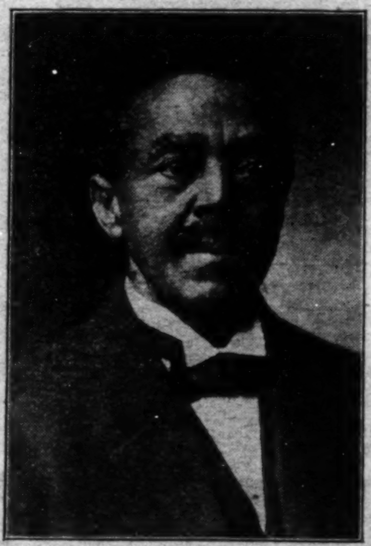
Men are rated by what they do. One who accomplishes great things is considered great, for it is true that the success of a man is determined by his own personal qualities. Mr. Bell is a man who has achieved great success in the field of business. Within nine years he has come from the ground up, to where he is considered the wealthiest colored man in Evansville. He owns and operates 15 double teams for heavy hauling, working more than a score of hands. He also owns 11 good house sand lots in the city and a large 4-story brick business building in Water street. Few men have done as much in so short a time. Mr. Bell was raised chiefly on the farm. He came to Indiana when quite a small boy, and



after a few years the family tried a home or two in Illinois, farming there also. When he settled in Evansville, the lumber business was one of the most important, and he began hauling lumber from the river up the steep river bank, which was then almost impassible. But he would not allow any obstacle to daunt him. Others refused to take such contracts to haul, but he did so well that he attracted the attention of many wealthy firms, who were glad to give him very large contracts, and today he has the hauling for the three largest coal mines in this township. He for five years has hauled all the coal for the city schools. Mr. Bell shows the greatness of soul that some of our people lack. He loves and supports his mother and some of his other relatives. In one of his buildings he runs a hotel and other business shops. He has always been a man of few words, but he stands by those few to the letter.

ROBERT McFARLAND.

A man scrupulously straightforward in all he does or says. If he tells you a thing, you may stake your honor on it. He is known in his town as one of the squarest men in the community. He is not noisy, as many of the would-be leaders are, but like the deep current of the river, moves straight on in the work of



his choice. He is a first-class dealer in horses, and is the first and only colored person that ever shipped a whole carload of horses on his own responsibility. He has been in the business for about five years, and is considered one of the best judges of horses in the state. He is a member of the A. M. E. church and can always be depended upon whenever Christian strength and courage is needed. He is fortunate in the possession of a good wife of very fine qualities.

ROBERT FRANKLIN.

One of the oldest and best known substantial business men of the Negro race in Evansville is Robert Franklin. He came to Evansville in the latter part of the 60's. Mr. Franklin was born in Virginia in 1853. In 1868 he moved to Parkersburg, W. Va., and began working as second steward on a boat on the Ohio river. After spending nine years on the river, he settled in Evansville, and entered the transfer business. Beginning with a one-horse wagon, Mr. Franklin has steadily gone forward, and through the ambitious desire, pluck and will-power to advance, he has come into the possession of some choice real estate, outside of a large and elegant home. He owns and operates three large moving vans, and it is with pride we state that Mr. Frankline is known to be one of the most careful and competent men along his line of any in Evansville. It is said of him that he can move anything without a scratch of any kind. There are many people, white, who will not employ any but the Franklin vans when they wish to move.

Robert Franklin is a solid, thorough-going business man, and a credit to his race and city.

Mr. Franklin was fortunate in securing Miss Maggie Wintersmith, of Louisville, to preside over his home. Mrs. Franklin is a lady of fine qualities and a housekeeper par excellence. The Franklin home is a model one.

JACKSON-CLARK WEDDING.

Announcement is made that on September 7, Mr. G. C. Jackson, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Evansville, and Miss Bessie B. Clark, of Springfield, O., both of whose pictures appear in this issue,

will be united in marriage. Miss Clark is a social favorite in her city, a member of the church, and a strong worker in her community. She has had advantage of a good literary and business training. They will live in Evansville.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. I. A. Henderson of Chicago is here visiting her daughter at 729 West Walnut street.

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Thomas Thomas of West Baden, who came to the city to have an operation performed on his left eye by Dr. White, is doing very well.

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Miss Tillie Haddix, who has been visiting the Falls Cities, has returned to her home in Indianapolis.

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Mrs. Malinda Wilkerson and Mrs. Annie Gayle visited Mrs. Harry Radliffe of Indianapolis last Sunday.

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Mrs. Ernest Castleman visited relatives in the Gas Belt Sunday.

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Mrs. Emma Lily of Indianapolis is in the city visiting among her many friends.

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Miss Harriet Beckham of Forest is visiting friends and relatives in Bloomfield.

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Leonard Haley, merchant tailor, has gone to Chicago on business and expects to return with a full line of fall woolens.

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William Parrish has returned to his home after a pleasant stay of nine days in Indianapolis. Mr. Parrish is one of the most popular attendants at the Central Asylum, having been employed at that institution for sixteen years.

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Mrs. Harriet Cole has returned from a delightful trip through the Northwest, visiting many of the cities on the lakes. She is much improved in health and never tires of recounting the grand sights and scenes of her itinerary.

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Miss Lillie Robinson of West Walnut street has returned from a visit to her cousin, Miss Virgie Gibson, at Washington, D. C. Miss Robinson met many people from this city on the Boardwalk at Atlantic City and also at Cape May.

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The Colored Funeral Directors of Kentucky met in their sixth annual session August 18 to 20 in Bowling Green and quite a number of the leading undertakers of the State were in attendance. The meeting was in every way a success. The welcome address was delivered by E. A. Gerard, the leading white undertaker of Bowling Green, and the response was by Dr. J. E. Wood of Danville. Other addresses were made by Dr. S. R. Reed, Rev. Dr. Mitchell and Rev. H. D. Carpenter of Bowling Green, Prof. J. W. Bell of Earlington, Prof. W. W. Wilson, Rev. E. J. Jackson of Frankfort, J. E. Kuykendall of Bowling Green, Dr. C. H. Parrish and A. B. McAfee of Louisville. Music was rendered by the choir of Taylor's Chapel, in which the sessions were held, and vocal and instrumental solos were rendered by Mrs. Emma Leving, Edward Jones and Mrs. L. P. Gordon of Bowling Green. Dr. O. D. Porter of that city delivered a lecture on "Diseases," which was discussed by Messrs. A. D. Porter and A. G. Meaux. Between sessions the delegates were driven through the city and surrounding country to the points of interest. A large banquet was tendered them in the evening. In the absence of President B. L. Teague, T. L. Robb of Frankfort officiated. The convention adjourned to meet in Lebanon in 1911 after electing the following officers: J. E. Kuykendall, Bowling Green, president; T. H. Hankins, Louisville, vice-president; A. B. McAfee, Louisville, secretary; Frank Rice, Lebanon, assistant secretary; J. H. Hathaway, Louisville, treasurer; J. A. Agnew, Owensboro, sergeant-at-arms; J. W. Wilkins, Louisville, chaplain.

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Bourbon, 100 proof	2.70	5.55	7.40	10.50	3.50	6.75
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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

The Twelfth Annual Meeting of Doctors Was Great Success.

Thompson's National News Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 31.—Has the Hon. William I. Vernon resigned as Register of the Treasury, or has he not?

Current rumor, which is said to have found its inspiration in a statement by Bishop Abram Grant, has it that Dr. Vernon has handed in his resignation as register and that the same will take effect about the first of September. The same authority indicates that Dr. Vernon will resume the active duties of president of the Western University at Quindaro, Kas., at the beginning of the regular school term. Bishop Grant is president of the board of trustees of Western University and is known as the confidential friend of Dr. Vernon. Hence, there are those who have placed considerable credence in the statements attributed to the eminent churchman.

Over against this apparent settlement of the matter is a card appearing in the Chicago Defender of the 27th, bearing what purports to be the signature of Dr. Vernon, positively denying that he has resigned and asserting further that he never was so firmly fixed in the Treasury Department as now.

Up to this time The Freeman's correspondent has had nothing to say on the subject, preferring that the register should be allowed to make up his mind in peace touching a matter that is to play such an important part in his future. If Dr. Vernon thinks he can best serve his people at the head of a thriving educational institution that has unlimited possibilities for development, his friends here say, "Suffer it to be so. Godspeed!" If he elects to take advantage of the political courtesy which usually allots two terms to a faithful public servant, and desires to remain as Register of the Treasury, he will continue to enjoy the support and good will of the people among whom he has moved and whom he has inspired since his advent something over four years ago. There are strong arguments upon both sides of the proposition, and it is not strange that Dr. Vernon hesitates to make up his mind as to which horn of the dilemma he will take—if "dilemma" it can be called. If it appears impossible for him to hold on to both places Dr. Vernon's choice will be his friends' choice. Wherever he decides to cast his lot—be it in education, politics, the church, or all of them—the race can rest assured that his influence will be felt for the betterment of all humanity.

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The doctors have come and gone. Their twelfth annual meeting was a brilliant success, and in their train they have left an inspiration that will inure to the benefit of the profession, pointing to higher ethical standards and to more earnest training along scientific lines. The election of Dr. A. M. Curtis as president was in keeping with the logic of the situation. He was more than the candidate of Washington or of a faction. He is in every sense a national figure in the medico-surgical arena, and it behooved the National Medical Association to select the man who would give the organization real prestige among the profession throughout the world. Dr. Curtis needs no introduction to an American audience. From his early start in Chicago as the first colored physician on the consulting staff of the Cook County Hospital and one of the founders of the famous Provident Hospital to the culmination of his career as surgeon-in-chief of the Freedmen's Hospital in Washington, he kept in the center of the spotlight. His success as a surgeon has been even more brilliant since his retirement from that institution, as he has been free to travel. He has been frequently called to all portions of the South to perform important operations, to hold clinics and to deliver lectures on surgical topics at the country's most noted schools of medicine. No member of the profession between the oceans enjoys a more widespread popularity than Dr. Curtis. Hence, when it became known that his name might be used in connection with the presidency of the N. M. A. his election was a foregone conclusion. He will have the undivided support of the organization, and it is not too much to say that the year 1910-11 will be the banner period of the N. M. A.

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The Negro is making steady progress in the departments in this city. A few days ago Mr. Joseph Stanton, a well-equipped young man from Pittsburg, Pa., was appointed to a responsible clerkship in the office of the chief of the signal corps, War Department, the first to be named for a berth in this office, where technical qualifications of the highest character are required. Mr. Theodore Bethel, another young man of push and energy, has been promoted to a clerkship in the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Navy Department, where Negro clerks are said to be as scarce as the proverbial "hen's teeth." A third triumph goes to Mr. Ralph W. Tyler, Auditor for the Navy Department, who has just secured, after much effort, the promotion of Mr. Frank DeMand from a classified laborer at $660 per annum to a first-grade clerkship at $900. In the Treasury Department Mr. Warren G. Fearing has been given a substantial advancement. The young colored man in the civil service in Washington is "making good," and if given a chance will rise with the best of them.

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Dr. Sumner A. Furniss, a leading physician of Indianapolis, Ind., and head of the well-equipped Lincoln Hospital in that city, was among those who took a prominent part last week in the deliberations of the National Medical Association. Dr. Furniss made an excellent impression upon all with whom he came in contact, and his opinions upon the papers read during the convention were listened to with the most respectful attention and won hearty approval. Dr. Furniss is in his eighth year as a member of the executive committee of the National Negro Business League, and is regarded by Dr. Booker T. Washington as one of the most valuable men in that body. At the New York meeting Dr. Furniss acted as the "wizard's" right-hand man and he sustained the part with credit and distinction, especially in the exacting duty of soliciting life members for the league. Dr. Furniss is a leader in the political, business and social life of his home city and is invariably looked to for the "cue" that sets the pace for all public activities. Dr. Furniss and his charming wife (formerly Miss Lillian Morris of the Louisville schools are always welcome visitors at the nation's capital.

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Auditor Ralph W. Tyler announces that there is no truth in the report that he is a candidate for the editorship of the Odd Fellows' Journal.

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A formidable movement has been inaugurated by Mr. James C. Waters, Jr., president of the Council of Upper Classmen of Howard University, to secure better treatment for the Negro at the hands of the newspapers which advertise the alleged crimes and misdemeanors of Negroes in glaring headlines and confine reports of his worthy achievements in the inside pages, if any mention is made of them at all. Mr. Waters has issued a circular letter and sent it broadcast throughout the country, sounding the alarm that the name of the race and its chances for the future are being jeopardized by this continual parading of the Negro's shortcomings in the newspapers. The author pays his respects in vigorous language to such papers as the Washington Herald, Washington Times, New York Times and the Baltimore American, which, he says, have a habit of adorning their first pages with such inflammatory "leaders" as, "Negro Seizes White Girl," "Police Nab Negro," "A Very Polite Lynching," "Negro Laborers Rob Cornerstone," etc. Mr. Waters is an able and well-tempered young man and in this movement for journalistic fair play he has the sympathy of all right-thinking citizens of the nation, regardless of color. The same matter was taken up last week by the National Negro Press Association in New York, and there is no doubt that concerted action on the subject all along the line will grow out of Mr. Waters's timely agitation.

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Rev. D. Webster Davis of Richmond, Va., is likely to be chosen as pastor of the Vermont Avenue Baptist church of this city to succeed the late Rev. George W. Lee, who died several months ago. Dr. Davis is to preach his trial sermon on the third Sunday in September. An immense crowd will be out to hear him.

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There is general satisfaction among the representative colored people of Washington over the readiness with which President Taft consented to serve as a member of the board of trustees of Howard University, although it is known to be a fact that the President is u"nloading" as many of these responsibilities as he can get rid of in amicable fashion. The Chief Executive thus gives tangible evidence of his deep interest in the higher education of the Negro youth. While urging, with all his might, the value of the industrial training for the masses of the race, he is anxious that there should be a sufficient number of institutions whose mission it is to develop competent leadership, without which no people can permanently advance.

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The problem of the location of the Colored Normal School will be taken up in the fall. It is pretty definitely settled that the Balloch site will not be chosen.

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Mr. Isaac Hathaway, the talented Kentucky sculptor, had his studio at 1234 U street newly decorated and furnished in honor of the coming of the National Medical Association, and he entertained a stream of interested callers every day during the session. The visitors were struck with astonishment at the beauty and skill which his work disclosed, and many orders were given him for busts, statuettes and placques, singly and in quantities. The busts of Frederick Douglass, Booker T. Washington, Bishop Allen and Paul Laurence Dunbar attracted universal admiration, and the death mask of Joe Gans, taken recently in Baltimore, was viewed with amazement. At New York last week Mr. Hathaway had presented to Dr. Washington an unique plaster cast of the foot of his little grandson, W. Sidney Pittman, Jr. Mr. Hathaway is wedded to his art and is beginning to be accorded something near the recognition financially that his merits deserve.

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Dr. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University, spent two days in the city last week, looking after important interests of the institution. Plans for the new building for industrial arts have been adopted and bids will soon be received, as well as for the new steam heating and lighting plant for the university and Freedmen's Hospital, the plans for the latter having been accepted by the Interior Department. Dr. Thirkield came primarily to attend the funeral of Prof. Charles C. Cook, who was drowned a few days ago at Sea Isle City, N. J. He is to deliver a series of addresses in various States before returning to his summer home at Marshfield Center, Mass., to finish his vacation. Dr. Thirkield says the coming school year will be the best Howard University has ever experienced.

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The gathering of so many distinguished men and women of the race on the campus of Howard University in connection with the National Medical Association was a big advertisement for the Negro's greatest school for higher training.

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Lincoln, Md., where the sturdy pioneer, Thomas J. Calloway, is building a town, is growing to be a fashionable Sunday resort for prospective home-buyers. We shall have something to say of this interesting place in our next.

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Grand Master W. L. Houston of the C. U. O. of O. F. has been spending some time in the city with his family. Mr. Houston is confident that the coming B. M. C. at Baltimore will be the greatest in the history of the order and that the roster will show not less than a half-million membership.

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Building has been resumed on the $100,000 home of the Y. M. C. A.

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Plans are being worked out by which the city is to take over the alleys, courts and minor streets, such as have become plague spots and do away with the "slum" territory entirely. A bill will be presented at the next session of Congress looking to the condemnation of unsanitary buildings, and it is especially desired to abolish that notorious locality known as "Willow Tree Alley." Light is coming at last on this very dark subject.

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A Washington Press Association is to be organized here as an auxiliary to the National Negro Press Association.

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The District of Columbia will present the name of Henry P. Slaughter for editor of the Odd Fellows' Journal, and Attorney W. C. Martin for grand secretary. For grand master J. C. Asbury, E. H. Morris and E. P. Jones will have strong friends. The race will be a pretty one all around.

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Mrs. Mary E. Washington of New Albany, Ind., will be here next month, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson. Mrs. Washington will attend the B. M. C. at Baltimore as a delegate to the Household of Ruth and will also attend the Grand Council of the Good Samaritans at Alexandria, Va. Mrs. Washington is a grand officer of the latter body.

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Prof. William A. Joiner of Howard University, president of the local Wilberforcians, is to go to Wilberforce University shortly to assume the duties of principal of the Normal Department to succeed the late Prof. J. P. Shorter. Mr. J. A. Lankford, the race's pioneer architect, is to go also as instructor in architecture, mechanical drawing, civil engineering and kindred branches. A handsome salary has been provided for each of these worthy gentlemen and Wilberforce is to be congratulated upon having been able to command the services of such capable and conscientious workers.

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Miss Josephine Maritcha Lawson, daughter of Prof. Jesse Lawson, of this city, was recently married in Oxford, England, to Prof. James Arthur Harley of Antigua, B. W. I. Mr. Harley is finishing a post-graduate course in theology at England's time-honored institution of learning and will probably locate at Jamaica, in the British West Indies.

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"Nothing doing" in politics so far for the colored brother. Chairman W. B. McKinley of the congressional campaign committee is buckling the armor on the brother in white for the fall campaign, but up to date no word has been given to the colored brother as to whether his services will be desired or required. The Dancys, Pinchbacks, Johnsons, et al. are awaiting the signal to "get ready."

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Mr. Charles W. Fillmore of this city, formerly a major in the Spanish-American war, and fully experienced in financiering on a large scale, has been appointed associate editor of The Banker and Investor Magazine, conducted by prominent New York capitalists, with offices in "Business America." Major Fillmore has some surprises in store for the Negro bankers of the country, and it will be sprung at an early date.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell is preparing to announce a definite plan of action with reference to the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Harriet Beecher Stowe next June. A systematic organization will be effected and every section of the country will have an opportunity to take part in the work.

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It will take some "fine work" to put through Congress that bill for the 1913 exposition.

BALTIMORE, MD.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Marie Washington is at home at Pisgah, Md., spending a month with relatives. Will visit Jersey City before returning home....Mr. E. E. Watkins, job printer, 1120 Russell street who has been ill, is improving....Mrs. John Joiner is spending a month at Oakland, Md., for the benefit of her health. Visiting Mr. John Banks. Mr. Edward Meyer of Middlesex Club is a subscriber of The Freeman.

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To the Members of the Independent Political League.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—We have assembled in convention today to retrospect our political successes and failures, and to note especially the cause of our failures in order to avoid political blunders in the future; to consider our present political condition and to plan for the betterment of our race in the future.

It mus tbe apparent to all that politically we have fallen upon evil times; while some of us are somewhat cast down we are not in despair. I believe there is sufficient wisdom in our race to devise a plan by which we may retrieve our losses and finally reach the coveted goal.

I am of the opinion that it was lack of courage on our part that caused us some years ago to change from an aggressive policy to a passive one. It was a surrender of principle to expediency on the presumption that things politically for the Negro would right themselves; an idea contrary to experience and facts of history.

We seemed to have forgotten that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. Our surrender gave us a set-back from which it will require years to recover. Indeed, for more than a quarter of a century things have gone from bad to worse, until today our political status is not as good as it was in 1875.

We have reached low waterk mar largely because we failed to do all within our power to resist the encroachments of our enemies at the beginning of their onslaughts on our political and civil rights.

We were deceived and deluded by those who affirmed that the white people of the South were our best friends; blind to the things going on around us detrimental to our best interests.

DISFRANCHISEMENT.

Disfranchisement laws were enacted which in theory affected white men and black men alike, but which in their practical operation affected black men only; this was the intention of the framers of these unjust laws. Notwithstanding these laws struck at the very foundation of our political citadel—political equality—which spells real citizenship, we made but feeble resistance against them.

We are told by our misguided friends that it was a good thing for the race, and that such enactments would prove a help, rather than a hindrance. Our enemies seeing that we were dull of apprehension, unable to appreciate the boon conferred upon us by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Federal Constitution, became emboldened and proceeded a step farther.

SEPARATE CAR LAWS.

Not satisfied with practically decitizenizing us, the South, which we had been told was our best friend, in order to put a brand of inferiority upon the race and to sink it in the very lowest depths of humiliation, proceeded to enact Jim Crow car laws. To these iniquitous laws we made but feeble resistance.

Notwithstanding that we were stripped of our rights and expcsed to shame and ridicule before the whole world, our misguided friends informed us that the treatment was wholesome and that we ought not to oppose such legislation, which was made for our special benefit. Many of our editors and leaders were roundly condemned for speaking out against laws which discriminated against us, especially our wives and daughters. We were told that our agitation was doing more harm than good, and that we ought to cease it. Our advisers had forgotten the fact that with oppressed people agitation had been the watchword of the centuries, and was the chief agency in bringing about great reforms.

It was agitation on the part of Luther and his associates that brought about the reformation of the Christian Church. It was agitation on the part of the barons of England against King John that forced him to grant to the people of England the Magna Charter. It was agitation on the part of the Revolutionary fathers that roused the colonists to arms and which resulted in American independence. It was agitation on the port of the Abolitionists that aided in bringing about the Civil War, which resulted in our emancipation. But in the face of these facts of history we were howled down, assured that if we should cease our agitation that things would get better—there was a cessation in our agitation, and instead of things growing better they grew steadily worse.

DERELICTIONS OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

The Republican party, our erstwhile friend, seeing that it was popular to take a fling at the Negro, notwithstanding that the Negro had been its most faithful ally, proceeded to give him an additional blow by eliminating him from the councils of the Republican party; it started at the county conventions, and this was followed by the state conventions, and finally the Negro was eliminated from the National Comimttee, on which he had served since 1868. This is elimination with a vengeance.

Shades of Lincoln, Grant, Sumner and Stephens, what a departure on the part of the Republican party from its original principles.

At this juncture the Hon. William Howard Taft came upon the scene; he was hailed as a second Lincoln, a real friend of the race, and as the best evidence of this fact it was asserted that he came from old abolitionist stock. Of course that was supposed to be a sufficient guarantee of the genuineness of his friendship.

Many of us did not see it in that light, and we so expressed ourselves; we were not deceived with his broad smiles and beautiful platitudes concerning the progress of the race, etc.

We saw his attitude on the question of the dismissal of the 167 brave black boys from the United States army, statements made in his Greensboro, N. C., speech, that if he was a friend, he was a misguided one. However, his election to the Presidency came on apace, and with much misgivings we waited to see what the outcome would be. We did not have to wait very long before we were confirmed in the opinion that the Hon. William Howard Taft was not a real friend of the Negro; our belief in this fact was confirmed when in his inaugural address he indorsed the disfranchisement laws of the South by saying: "The tendency of Southern legislation today is toward the enactment of electoral qualifications which shall square with the Fifteenth Amendment." We are aware that just the opposite of this statement is true. Again we were confirmed in our opinion of him as a misguided and self-deceived friend when he said in the same address: "But it may well admit of a doubt whether in the case of any race an appointment of one of their number to a local office in any community in which the race feeling is so widespread and acute as to interfere with the ease and facility with which the local government business can be done by the appointees, is of sufficient benefit by way of encouragement to the race to outweigh the recurrence and increase of race feeling which such an appointment is likely to endanger. Therefore the Executive in recognizing the Negro race by appointments must exercise a careful discretion not thereby to do it more harm than good." (The opinion expressed here is just the opposite to the idea expressed in the Declaration of Independence.) At the time we understood that he meant by the above statement that the Negroes would not be appointed to positions in the South where there was any objection to such appointments o nthe part of the white people, we were not deceived by his jugglery of words, but saw that there would be no Negroes appointed to first-class positions in the South at all. In this respect Mr. Taft has carried out his policy to the very letter.

No President since emancipation has made such a wholesale removal of Negro office holders as has President Taft, notwithstanding his late appointments of Messrs. Crum and McKinley. On this point the New York Age, the erstwhile administration journal, says: "The Negroes are thoroughly aroused over the Negro policy of the administration; they are heartily sore over the wholesale and unwarrante d dismissal of Negro office holders and a deference of the administration Southern Negro-phobia in political appointments, in the census, in the consular and civil service. In each state the Negroes realize that they hold the balance of power, as they do in every state from New York and Maryland to Kansas—in close elections. They realize further that owing to dividing factional differences and a stronger Democracy that they are in a peculiarly strategic position at this time. In West Virginia an unusually fair and liberal faction of Democrats will appeal for their votes. In Indiana the Socialists are preparing to make every inducement in the way of platform promise and ballot recognition to their black brethren. On the other hand the Iepublican party in these States seems apathetic, indifferent and powerless to stop the onslaught of the national administration against the political status of the black man. What has the Republican party done to stop lynching? Just the other day in Texas over twenty Negroes were shot down like mad dogs. Will the G. O. P. help to put an end to this nefarious business.

The National Independent League is a body of Negroes, who love their race above party and who are willing to vote with any party if by doing so they can permanently advocate the policital interest of the race. As to myself I would vote for the devil if I thought it would help my race in the end. The time has come when the truckless sycophants and time-servers should stand aside and let men who are prepared and willing to do so fight the battles of the race without having their motives impugned.

There are colored men who talk and act as if the Republican party was a thing too sacred to be criticised by black men. And if we dare to do so we are denounced by the sycophants and short-sighted, as traitors to the best interests of our race. We are declared to be unsafe leaders, dangerous radicals. And we are thus abused in the face of the fact that the Republican party has acquiesced in the disfranchisement of their black allies in seven Southern States, not one thing has been done by the Republican party to aid the Negroes to regain the franchise in the States where they have been robbed of it. Pray tell me what Republican President has ordered his Attorney General to lessen the disfranchisement of the South?

On the other hand when we have taken this matter into the courts we have always been turned down on some technicality of the law. Even a Republican Supreme Courts has always found a way to evade handing down a decision in our favor, notwithstanding the amendments to the Federal Constitution say that the right to vote shall not be denied citizens of the United States on account of their color, creed or previous condition of servitude.

To my way of thinking the Republican party by its acquiescence in the matter is a party to the high-handed robbery of our franchise in the South. The same thing is true in regard to the Jim Crow car law, the Republican party through its Congressional representatives has stood by and seen the race humiliated, shamefully discriminated against, and said not a word—but finally itself created a court to which by an infamous decision declared that Jim Crow car law constitutional, and still we are not to criticize the party guilty of such perfidy. While we were not unmindful of the black record of the Democratic party, and while to vote with it was a bitter pill to swallow, yet we shut our eyes and swallowed it in order to punish the party which had abandoned us after we had helped to keep it in power for over forty years. We can assure you that if there had been any other party in existence with anything like corresponding strength with the Republican party, standing for the rights of all men before the law, we would have voted with it.

When we vote with the Democrats it is because we can do no better. Our praer is that if the Republican and the Democratic parties will not change their Negro policies that a new party standing for human rights, for the equality of rigts, civil, political and social, may be organized with which we may co-operate. We are wiling to continue with the Republican party if it will champion our cause as in days of yore. If not, we must turn to some other party that will champion our cause. Everywhere the Negroes feel that Postmaster General Hitchcock is the mentor and master and crux of their unhappy situation.

They fell that President Taft either artfully or innocently through his political advisers, is making the Republican party in the South a Lily White party.

THE REMEDY.

Since there will always be Negro Republicans and Democrats, and what not, we should first have respect for each other.

We must recognize the fact that while as a race we are united on the objects to be obtained—our civil and political rights—we are irreconcilably divided as to methods of obtainments of the same.

It is well to recognize that there are amongst us aggressive and conservative forces and they are here to stay.

The aggressive forces stand for an uncompromising struggle for the complete manhood rights of our race.

The conservatives stand for a policy passive in its nature. They believe that somehow or other things which concern us politically and that are now out of joint will right themselves. Their policy is one of expediency and not of principle; they are willing to subordinate human rights to material advantage, forgetting that nations and people have sacrificed money, ease, pleasure and life itself that their progeny might enjoy their civil and political rights. As a race we need to get back to basic principles and fight it out on that line, no matter what sufferings and inconveniences it may entail.

INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.

One of the greatest needs of the race today is strong, independent political organization, ably officed, well financed, with branch organizations in every part of the country, and if we are to win in this struggle we must have such an organization.

No pains should be spared, no expense regarded, in our effort to effect a formidable national organization. Our political salvation depends upon our success along this line. We have been successful in organizing other needed agencies, such as the church, the school, benevolent organizations, etc., and why may we not succeed if we continue our efforts to have a great national political organization? In a statement published the other day by John Mitchell, of the American Federation of Labor, he affirmed that there were three million members of the Federation, and that the organization expected to have twenty millions within a few years. The Federation is a demonstration of what can be done by persistent effort; since we have succeeded in organizing homes, churches and schools, why may we not succeed in organizing a strong political league. It is the aim and hope of our league, which is neither circumscribed by religious, social or political tests as a condition to membership therein, to enroll at least twenty thousand members ere the campaign of 1912.

We send out the Macedonian cry to Negroes everywhere to come over and help us.

PETITIONS.

Commencing from this meeting we ought to circulate petitions throughout the length ad breadth of our country requesting all who believe in the principles set forth by the league to sign their names, thus pledging to the organization their co-operation in our struggle for their civil and political rights. Further, men of our race, like men of other races, must come to the point to be willing to vote as a unit for men and measures which concern our civil, social and political betterment.

We should only support candidates who are willing to pledge themselves to help in the amelioration of our condition.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

I recommend that a campaign or a central committee be formed at this session of the League, said committee to be composed of twelve or fifteen men who are thoroughly conversant with political matters and who cannot be cajoled or bribed into selling out their race, whose duty shall be to select in different sections of the country proper Congressional candidates to be voted for by our League. The said committee shall have charge of all monies to be used by the League in conducting its campaign.

Our League ought to take more interest in politics in the future than in the past. Since we have played the game of politics so disastrously to our best interest in the past we should profit by our blunders and at once begin by united and thoughtful effort to play the game advantageously, and that this work may be done the more effectively, I think you ought to have a layman at the head of the organization, one who can stand in the forefront of the battle and devote all of his time and talent to the cause.

So much has been said oflate through the press about Liberia, its area, people and natural resources, that I deem it unnecessary to consume your time in speaking in such phrases of the subject, but come at once to the late troubles of the little Black Republic.

THE LATE TROUBLE.

Owing to the encroachments of France and England upon the territory of Liberia, which threatened its gradual and final absorption, France already having taken a large slice of territory, and the financial embarrassment caused by a loan from an English syndicate, which the government was unable to pay them when it fell due, and this owing to a decrease in the revenue of the country, caused by the fall off in the price of coffee and other articles of export, and having to police the frontier, etc. These troubles paralyzed business and caused universal discouragement. In the hour of this crisis it was thought wise to appeal to the government of the United States to intervene and give financial assistance.

That Liberia is in pressing need of a reorganization of its finances, says the Chicago Record Herald, is apparent when it is considered that the British government has been pressing for some readjustment of the situation regarding the loan, now amounting to about $455,000, including interest, which was incurred first in 1871, from British financiers, and has since been readjusted. There is a further custom loan of $480,000, and n internal debt amounting to about $300,000. For a population of 2,000,000, these would not seem to make a formidable grand total of indebtedness. According to reports of recent years to has great natural resources, if only these can be developed properly. How to bring about the development is a problem that is more perplexing to the statesmen who have to do with Liberia's affairs than how to care for the existing indebtedness.

The Cornhill Magazine, of June, 1910; speaking of the partition of Liberia among the Powers, says: "The territories now known as Liberia should be divided among the Powers and governed as a protectorate in the ordinary manner, unless, indeed, the United States themselves were disposed to take over the whole. It is improbable that such a proposal would meet with serious opposition by England, France or Germany, although it might not be exactly greeted with enthusiasm. Provided that freedom of commerce were guaranteed, no different tariff set up and no monopoly created in Kru labor.

"Many people outside of official circles would cordially welcome the advent of the United States as an Africa power. In the absence of any such professed desire on the part of the United States, the natural inheriters of the territory would be France and England, whose possessions run parallel with it.

"France would extend her ivory coast and western Soudan possessions to incorporate a portion of it, and England might be disposed. The authorities of Sierra Leone would favor the course to a further portion. Both powers, however, England especially, would be wise in making it possible for Germany to participate on equal terms in the settlement, which would give her the chance, if it proves attractive in her eyes, to found in this section of western Africa another such small protectorate as Toga, which she governed so admirably and the prosperity of whose inhabitants she has so materially increased."

In 1908 a deputation was sent from Liberia to the United States to appeal to the government at Washington for help, especially for intervention on the part of the United States government. After due consideration, in 1910 the government at Washington decided to aid the Black Republic through a $1,500,000 loan from American, British, French and German bankers, through the good offices of Secretary of State Knox, so as to put Liberia on a sound financial basis, has seemed impossible of attainment. President Taft, soon after his inauguration, sent a commission of investigation to the country on the petition of Liberians for a treaty, under whch the United States, through a protectorate, might act the part of the big brother to the struggling republic. Neither the President nor Secretary Knox, according to advices from Washington, is in favor of an open and declared protectorate. But they hold that by the very terms of Liberia's existence, the United States has a moral obligation toward the country, and cannot see the struggling Negro Republic gobbled up by Great Britain, France or some other European power.

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LIBERIAN BROTHERHOOD.

It has been thought by some friends of Liberia that a government could be started in the United States that might prove beneficial to the Liberians, and therefore that a Liberian Brotherhood be formed at this session of our League. It shall have for its object the encouragement of all affairs that concern the development of Africa. I mus theartily recommend the idea to your consideration.

WILLING TO RESIGN.

As a Bishop with multitudinous duties and much traveling, I do not feel that I am prepared to give to the organization the service that should be required of its chief officer. I can never again take an active part in politics, as I took in 1908. The circumstances which surrounded that campaign demanded heroic and daring action; I threw myself into the breach and have not regretted my action, and the treatment accorded the black man in this administration has more than justified the position we took.

My greatest regret is that enough black men did not bolt the Republican nominee to make the opposition felt. We are suffering today at the hands of the administration because the Republican leaders were persuaded to believe that Negroes would stand by the party, no matter how faithless it might prove to its pledges. Indeed, the Negro leaders succeeded in making the managers of the Republican party believe that the insurgent hadn't any following, and was wholly discredited in their own bailiwicks, hence the Grand Old Party had nothing to fear from Negroes.

They took the Negro leaders at their word and knowing that they had nothing to fear from the black weakling within their own ranks, the party turned its back upon us all—adopted the most detrimental policy towards the Negro ever inaugurated by a Republican administration.

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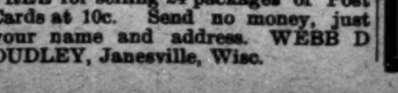

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